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Partners party to counter hate crime

By Nathaniel Hoffman
STAFF WRITER

EL CERRITO — Denis and Seph Paul wanted to make a nonviolent response to bigotry, and more than 120 people came to help them do it. The couple much preferred their Sunday afternoon healing ceremony-block party to the two parties that have been hurled at their house at the corner of Eureka Avenue and Liberty Street in El Cerrito since they've lived there. The Pauls' house in El Cerrito was the scene of a party in which the couple discovered a brick in their yard after a derogatory anti-gay message attached to it.

Police responded again last week when someone threw a red brick through the front window. "I can't recall the last time we had something like this where someone was targeted for their sexual preference or orientation," Sgt. Shawn Maples said. At the urging of neighbors, the couple held a party Sunday afternoon to help them overcome the two incidents. Seph Paul said he hopes the brick throwers saw or heard about their neighborhood party and realize that he and his partner are there to stay. "Hopefully they'll change their mind and stop it," he said. The March incident is considered a hate crime

because of the note, but the Aug. 17 brick is not necessarily considered a hate crime, Maples said. Police have no suspects or leads in either incident, although officers, with the help of a neighbor, located a stack of bricks in an alley a few blocks away that may have been the source of the most recent missile. But the Pauls, who were married at San Francisco City Hall on Valentine's Day and dismayed at the most recent court ruling that effectively nullified their marriage, consider the bricks hate crimes.



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SEPH PAUL, left, and Denis Paul, right, threw a party in response to a crime in which someone threw a brick through their living room window.

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Students head back to class

The school district's \$6.7 million in cuts translates to fewer choices, crowded buses returning El Cerrito students

By Alan Lopez
STAFF WRITER

EL CERRITO — Students are heading back to school, hanging out and clowning around on the front steps of El Cerrito High School. Long lines of people for lunch and changes. Students catching up with friends.

It must be the first day of school. At El Cerrito High on Tuesday, students said classes were crowded, there were fewer experienced teachers and the wait for their schedules changed scheduled for hours.

Fourteen-year-old freshman Hanna said she didn't know what to expect and was just getting used to attending the school. "It's really different." There's more people. I'm really excited about meeting new people," she said.

"It's got diversity, it's not too much of one color," said 15-year-old sophomore Steven Sams, wearing a "Shady Ltd." shirt and after popular rap star Eminem.

"Classes are boring, lunch is short," said 16-year-old junior Santino Vera, with a big smile on his face.

Fifteen-year-old sophomore Hannah Ward said the school was packed with students, particularly freshmen.

"There's just a lot more kids," said Hannah, waiting for a ride from her mother in the school's parking lot with friend and fellow sophomore Monica Miller.

"There's only three sophomores and one senior and the rest are freshmen," said Monica, in biology class. "That's like kids."

Students also complained that the school was offering too few classes. "A lot of seniors don't have the schedule or classes they need and they need them for UC requirements or high school requirements," said senior Candice Mouscare, waiting in line to get her schedule changed.

Monica also complained. See CLASS, Page A12



JOANNA JHANDA/STAFF

THE FIRST DAY of school was cold and foggy at Madera Elementary School in El Cerrito, and for kindergarten students Caleb Berg, 5, foreground, and Rebecca Brown, 5, their parents, respectively, Sarah Alexander and Eric Brown offer the comfort of their shoulders during kindergarten orientation, Tuesday, Aug. 24.

Parcel tax allows school workers' return

By Alan Lopez
STAFF WRITER

Nine elementary school principals, two truancy officers and two warehouse workers were reinstated by the West Contra Costa School District Board during a 90-minute meeting held Tuesday.

The restorations were the result of an additional \$1.3 million accrued from the passage of the Measure B parcel tax. The total

money from the parcel tax amounted to \$9.3 million and not \$8 million as previously thought, said Vince Kilmartin, the district's associate superintendent of operations.

As a result, the district was able to nix a controversial plan to have some elementary schools overseen by a part-time principal.

Five elementary school music teachers were also reinstated

thanks to \$368,000 in private donations made to the district.

"We'll have a minimal music program," Kilmartin said. "The entire elementary music program had (originally) been cut."

The board voted 4-1 to approve the restorations. Board member George Harris III dissented, saying he wanted more money to go to high and middle school safety officers.

Zoning may keep city from new heights

By Alan Lopez
STAFF WRITER

ALBANY — A proposal to bring a third massive housing and commercial development to San Pablo Avenue may be affected by height-limit reductions the City Council will consider at its Monday night meeting.

On Tuesday night, the planning and zoning commission will look at a development that will encompass 20 condominiums, 6,600 square feet of retail and commercial space and 6,015 square feet of office space.

The commission is expected to delay approval of that development, which will sit on a property now occupied by the former Ellis Olson Mortuary. The property is just south of Portland Gardens, a three-story mixed-use development across the street from Sizzler Restaurant.

The mortuary-site development will likely act as a guinea pig for lowered height limitations and other San Pablo Avenue zoning

MEETINGS

■ The Albany City Council will consider San Pablo Avenue height-limit reductions and zoning changes at its Monday, Aug. 30 meeting at 8 p.m.

■ The city's planning and zoning commission will look at a proposal to build a mixed-use project at the former Ellis Olson Mortuary site at 727 San Pablo Ave. on Tuesday, Aug. 31 at 7:30 p.m. Both meetings will be held in the City Council Chambers, 1000 San Pablo Ave.

ing changes the council will consider Monday night, said Albany planning manager Dave Dowswell.

Dowswell said it's possible the new zoning changes could affect whether the city can approve the building as proposed.

The building is about 6 feet

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Cell tower plan generates chatter

By Alan Lopez
STAFF WRITER

ALBANY — The talk within the Albany School District this summer has been less about the upcoming school year and more about increasing communication — through cell phones.

A spirited debate has unfolded on the high school e-mail list about an effort by AT&T Wireless to build a 50-foot tall cell phone antenna on top of Albany High School.

Some residents are vehemently against the proposal, citing health risks, while others say cell phones themselves are more dangerous than the antenna.

The Albany School District Board heard some testimony on the proposal at its Aug. 10 meeting but put off its approval at least until its next scheduled meeting, Sept. 14.

School District Superintendent Willie Wong said evidence shows there are no health problems associated with the antenna, and that the installation would provide \$26,004 a year for the district.

"If it's not on the school grounds, it'll be on a telephone poll right next to the school," Wong said. "It's going to be there somewhere. If it's going to be there, it's really a question of what kind of effect that it has on people. And there's nothing that shows it has any negative effect."

Residents say there have been studies showing negative effects, but one has to go out of the country, to Canada or Switzerland, for example, to find them. At the very least, they say, studies have been inconclusive. "They've concluded that nobody knows," said resident Janet

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NEWS BRIEFS

Albany

Campus Cruisers needs volunteers

Volunteers are being sought for "Campus Cruisers," a program for parents to monitor the middle and high school halls and grounds. An orientation for the program will be held Tuesday, Aug. 31 from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Albany High School Library, 603 Key Route Blvd.

The Campus Cruiser program is intended to encourage good behavior and provide support to the school staff. Volunteers would not confront students directly about problems but communicate to the front office so that school staff could handle them. Volunteers will generally work in pairs. They might be in the building, keeping the stairways moving, outside the buildings, and on the campus grounds. Shifts will be scheduled as short as one hour per week.

For more information, call Kathy Henley at 510-525-3506.

DJ Billy Steel will be at Club Mallard

DJ Billy Steel from radio station "The Bone," 107.7 FM will broadcast live from Club Mallard, 752 San Pablo Ave. from 6 p.m. to midnight today. The event, sponsored by The Bone and the Albany Chamber of Commerce, will include live music, prizes and benefit the Albany Athletic Boosters. For details call 510-525-1771.

Plan for city parks, trails on agenda

A plan that addresses the city's needs for new and improved parks, playing fields, trails and more will be reviewed by the parks and recreation commission on Thursday, Sept. 2, at 7 p.m. at the Albany City Council Chambers, 1000 San Pablo Ave.

The draft master plan for parks, recreation and open space also looks at questions of park management and maintenance and offers recommendations for better use of resources.

That includes the transfer of the Veterans' Memorial Building from county to city ownership, an overhaul of Ocean View Park sports facilities, and the acquisition and development of a new neighborhood park for the Albany Hill area.

The plan will eventually be sent to the City Council for final approval following the park and recreation meeting.

A draft of the master plan will be available to view at the Albany Library, 1247 Marin Ave., Albany City Hall, 1000 San Pablo Ave. and on the city Web site, www.albanyca.org as of Sept. 1.

For more information, call Barbie Garey at 510-559-7222.

Sept. 15 deadline for comment on project

Residents have until Sept. 15 to comment on a negative declaration Berkeley and Albany intend to file for a Marin Avenue traffic project. The project would decrease the number of traffic lanes from four to three and install bike lanes on Marin Avenue from San Pablo Avenue to The Alameda.

The project calls for a one-year trial project to allow for the monitoring of the reconfiguration of Marin Avenue in both Albany and Berkeley. Albany officials would then determine whether it's feasible to implement the second phase, which consists of more permanent infrastructure. A negative declaration states the project would have no unmitigable effects on the surrounding area. Both city councils will have to approve the declaration before the project can move forward.

Copies of the negative declaration for public review are available at the community development department at Albany City Hall, 1000 San Pablo Ave., the Albany Library, 1247 Marin Ave., the Berkeley Office of Transportation, 1947 Center St., third floor and the Berkeley Central Library, 2090 Kittredge St.

There will be meetings about the project on Sept. 23 with the Albany Traffic Commission and Oct. 21 with the Berkeley Transportation Commission. Public hearings with the City Councils of both cities will be scheduled for the fall.

For details call the Albany planning department at 510-528-5760 or Berkeley transportation planner Heath Maddox at 510-981-7062.

East Bay

Deadline to register to vote is Oct. 18

The deadline for registering to vote in the Nov. 2 election will be Oct. 18, the League of Women Voters of Berkeley, Albany and Emeryville reminds prospective voters. This includes those who are not yet 18 years old, but who will be 18 by Nov. 2.

The Voter Registration Form may be used to register to vote in any county in California.

There is more information regarding voter registration at the Berkeley, Albany and Emeryville League of Women Voters Web site at www.lwvbae.org. This Web site will provide access to voter information in Alameda County and the rest of California. There is also an on-line registration form at this site that you may complete.

The pros and cons on state ballot measures will be available for distribution to organizations later in this election season.

El Cerrito

CPR classes offered at Fire Station 71

The El Cerrito Fire Department is offering adult, child and infant CPR and first aid classes this fall at Fire Station 71, 10900 San Pablo Ave. Space is limited to 15 students per class and priority registration will go to El Cerrito and Kensington residents. The cost is \$20 for CPR and \$40 for CPR/first aid.

CPR classes will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays, Oct. 30 and Nov. 6. A first aid/CPR class will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13. For more information, call 510-215-4450.

ALBANY POLICE REPORTS

Thursday, Aug. 12

■ **FORGERY** — At about 4 p.m. the teller at a bank on the 800 block of San Pablo Avenue reported that a woman was attempting to cash a stolen check in the amount of \$780. Officers responded and arrested the 30-year-old Berkeley woman for burglary, possession of stolen property, and forgery as well as an outstanding San Francisco traffic warrant in the amount of \$309. She was cited and transported to Santa Rita Jail.

Friday, Aug. 13

■ **VANDALS** — Shortly before 4 a.m. a resident on the 600 block of Spokane Avenue reported that vandals threw a rock through his front window.

■ **VANDALS** — A resident on the 1200 block of Portland Avenue reported that during the night vandals threw an object through her window.

Saturday, Aug. 14

■ **DUI** — At about 1:30 a.m. officers arrested a 34-year-old Emeryville man near San Pablo Avenue and Gilman Street for DUI. He was cited and released.

■ **DUI** — At about 3:30 a.m. officers arrested a 34-year-old Albany man for DUI on the 800 block of Evelyn Avenue. He was cited and released.

■ **HONDA STOLEN** — A resident on the 700 block of Masonic Avenue reported that he had recently purchased a red 1994 Honda and during the night thieves stole it.

■ **SATURN STOLEN** — San Francisco Police reported locating a blue 1995 Saturn that had been stolen from Albany. It was not damaged and the owner was notified. The vehicle was towed.

Sunday, Aug. 15

■ **DISORDERLY CONDUCT** — Officers responded to a liquor store on the 800 block of San Pablo Avenue on reports of a subject drinking and causing a disturbance. Officers arrested the 19-year-old Richmond man for disorderly conduct. He was cited.

and held to be released when sober.

■ **DUI** — At about 2 a.m. officers arrested a 36-year-old Oakland man driving a gold 1989 Honda near San Pablo Avenue and Fairmount Street for a vehicle code violation. He was found to be intoxicated and failed the field sobriety test. He was arrested for DUI, cited and released.

■ **DISORDERLY CONDUCT** — At about 10:45 p.m. officers responded to the 800 block of Adams Street on reports of an unwanted guest who was intoxicated and refusing to leave. Officers arrested the 52-year-old Santa Rosa man for disorderly conduct. He was cited and held to be released when sober.

Monday, Aug. 16

■ **MODEL SHIP STOLEN** — A resident on the 900 block of Ventura Street reported that during the night thieves stole a model ship off his front porch.

■ **THREATS** — At about 9 p.m. officers arrested a 40-year-old San Pablo man at Albany Bowl on the 500 block for threatening an employee. A check found that he also had an outstanding warrant from Alameda County for driving with a suspended license, having no proof of insurance, traffic violations, failure to appear and BART warrants. He was cited and released.

■ **DISORDERLY CONDUCT** — At about 9:30 p.m. a resident on the 800 block of Madison Street reported that a subject, who was possibly intoxicated, was knocking on doors and yelling. Officers contacted the 52-year-old Santa Rosa man and admonished him regarding his behavior. At about 3 a.m. officers were again called out because he was knocking on doors. He was arrested for disorderly conduct, cited and released.

Tuesday, Aug. 17

■ **CASH STOLEN** — A business on the 1400 block of Solano Avenue reported that two girls, approximately 16 years old, stole credit cards and cash from a file cabinet. They were gone when officers arrived.

■ **DUI** — At about 9:30 p.m. officers stopped a 19-year-old San Francisco man on the 1100 block of Eastshore

Highway for driving a blue 1986 Honda with the lights off. He was found to be intoxicated and was arrested for DUI and being a person under 21 driving while intoxicated. He was cited and released.

Wednesday, Aug. 18

■ **AUTO BREAK-IN** — During the day thieves broke into a gray 1998 Toyota van parked on the 700 block of Jackson Street and stole items from inside.

Thursday, Aug. 19

■ **TOYOTA LOCATED** — Officers responded to 555 Pierce St. on reports of a burgundy 1990 Toyota that was parked illegally. A check found that it had been stolen out of Oakland. The owner was notified.

■ **AUTO BREAK-IN** — Unknown thieves broke into a red Honda Civic on the 400 block of Evelyn Avenue.

■ **HOME BREAK-IN** — A resident on the 900 block of Pomona Avenue reported that thieves had entered through a rear door and stole items from the home.

■ **AUTO BREAK-IN** — During the night thieves stole items from a white 2000 Oldsmobile parked on the 700 block of Washington Avenue.

■ **HOME BREAK-IN** — A resident on the 700 block of Calhoun Street reported that thieves broke into her home and stole items.

Friday, Aug. 20

■ **JEEP STOLEN** — During the night thieves stole a white 1992 Jeep parked in a parking garage on the 1200 block of Darnmouth Street.

■ **HONDA STOLEN** — During the night thieves stole a red 1998 Honda Civic parked on the 600 block of Curtis Street.

Saturday, Aug. 21

■ **TRESPASSING** — At about 5 a.m. a resident on the 700 block of Talbot Avenue reported observing a subject on the roof of a building who then left on foot toward Albany Hill. Officers arrested the Richmond man for tres-

EL CERRITO POLICE REPORTS

Sunday, Aug. 1

■ **VEHICLE RECOVERED** — A 1993 white Honda Accord taken from Fern Drive was later located at the Terrace Hotel.

Friday, Aug. 13

■ **VEHICLE RANSACKED** — A vehicle on the 6500 block of Cutting Boulevard was ransacked sometime between 9 p.m. on Aug. 13 and 9 a.m. the next day. There was no loss.

■ **VEHICLE RANSACKED** — A car was ransacked inside a garage on the 5700 block of Jordan Avenue at 7 a.m.

Sunday, Aug. 15

■ **SHOPLIFTING** — A 40-year-old man was arrested at 5:28 p.m. on suspicion of shoplifting at Pastime Hardware. The man used a brown paper bag to conceal tools and then attempted to leave the store, police said. The manager said the suspect had stolen from the store twice before.

■ **BUSINESS BURGLARY** — A cash register with \$100 inside was stolen from a takeria on the 10500 block of San Pablo Avenue at around 5:25 a.m. Portions of the register were recovered in the parking lot of the restaurant and in the 900 block of

Kearney Street.

Monday, Aug. 16

■ **DRUG POSSESSION** — A 49-year-old man on parole was arrested on suspicion of possessing tar heroin and a syringe after he was stopped on his bicycle at 8:52 p.m.

■ **VEHICLE THEFT** — A blue 1985 Honda Civic was taken from the 2700 block of Arlington Boulevard sometime between 7 p.m. on Aug. 16 and 8:45 a.m. the next day.

Wednesday, Aug. 18

■ **VEHICLE THEFT** — Police arrested a 29-year-old Richmond man at Norvell Street and Manila Avenue at 9:44 a.m. after it was reported that he had attempted to take the stereo from a vehicle on the 1300 block of Lawrence Street.

■ **BURGLARY** — Some \$70 in cash was taken from a home on the 3400 block of Santa Clara Avenue at 4:45 p.m. The home was entered through a window and locks to a desk and cabinets were broken.

Friday, Aug. 20

■ **SHOPLIFTING** — A 33-year-old Berkeley woman was arrested at 4:04 p.m. on suspicion of shoplifting at Ross.

Saturday, Aug. 21

■ **SHOPLIFTING** — A 21-year-old Oakland woman was arrested on suspicion of shoplifting at Ross Dress for Less at 1:30 p.m. The woman concealed \$263 worth of merchandise inside a bag and then left the store, police said.

■ **ROBBERY, ATTACK** — A 20-year-old Richmond man was arrested at 4:54 p.m. on suspicion of attacking and robbing an elderly woman a few minutes earlier on the Ohlone Greenway near Blake Street. The woman was transported to Kaiser Hospital where she was treated for her injuries.

Sunday, Aug. 22

■ **ASSAULT** — A man was arrested at 10:57 p.m. on suspicion of ram-

passing, disorderly conduct, standing Albany warrants, possession charges and Santa Rita Jail.

■ **CACTUS STOLEN** — On the 1000 block of Berkeley reported that thieves stole a cactus plant off the night.

■ **OUTSTANDING WARRANT** — During the morning officers arrested a 52-year-old Berkeley man on a 1000 block of Jackson Street outstanding warrant for possession of a controlled substance and to appear.

■ **MONEY STOLEN** — At 11 p.m. a business in the 1100 Solano Avenue reported that a woman had stolen the cash register approximately minutes prior. They were officers arrived.

■ **RESTRAINING ORDER** — responded to a residence on the block of Santa Fe Avenue of a subject at a residence of a restraining order. He was cited and released.

Sunday, Aug. 22

■ **OUTSTANDING WARRANT** — officers arrested a 42-year-old man near Central and Albany cause she was found to be standing Alameda County warrant in the amount of \$100 was cited and released.

Summary

During Aug. 12 through Aug. 22, there were 10 false alarms, attempted or deceased animals, and three people who were taken to the hospital. In the domestic violence category, 20 calls were responded to by police. There were 195 calls for stolen vehicles and 42 calls for stolen property. Firefighter/paramedics responded to 13 medical emergencies.

Albany Community Foundation raffle sale

A raffle benefiting the Albany Community Foundation will be held Sunday, Nov. 21 at Galvin Appliance, 619 San Pablo Ave. Prizes include a \$300 gift certificate at Galvin, a bowling party at Albany Bowl and gift certificates for local restaurants. Tickets are \$2 apiece or three for \$5 and can be purchased at the Albany Chamber of

Commerce, 1108 Solano from chamber board members the Solano Stroll on the 1000 block of Solano Avenue. The foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization that works on projects to improve the city. For details call Allan Marks at 510-7032 or Jewel Okawada at 510-527-5583.

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Sisters erase need with loads of school supplies

YOU'VE PROBABLY heard about the budget cuts in the public schools over the past few years. What you may not have heard is that the public schools have been hit hard.

Last spring, several Catholic schools in the Oakland diocese covering Alameda and Contra Costa counties — were closed down to save money, creating an even greater burden on the remaining schools, which have to absorb their students.

It's a serious challenge, even for relatively affluent parishes. For lower-income parishes, which are already stretched to the limit, it's an emergency.

One of these is St. Joseph's in Berkeley. Not all of its students are Catholic. About 30 percent are neighborhood kids — mostly Baptist — whose parents are from the cutbacks and are looking for a place to send their kids.

"I've got to do something," she picked up the phone and called her sister Monica in Rockridge. Monica was thinking the same thing. That's no coincidence. Ever since they had little girls, their parents had taught them, "You can talk about loving your neighbor until you're blue in the face," says Monica. "But you don't actually do something, it's just talk."

They called Principal Nancy Walchuk at St. Joseph's, who they had never met, and said, "What do you need?"

What she needed was school supplies — enough for 150 students.

"I've had parents come to me and say, 'I don't know how to afford the supplies,'" she said. "But even more heartbreaking was the kids who would hide the fact from us that they were embarrassed. Every fall, we'd wait until the first homework assignments come back so we could figure out which kids weren't doing the assignment because they didn't have the supplies at home to do it."

Either Nancy nor Monica had a lot of money, but they had in their own pockets as much as they could. The rest they got from friends, including one of a van from Robert



MARTIN SNAPP
Snapp Shots

Hunsinger of Enterprise Rent-A-Car in Concord and a \$2,500 check from Alan Bascacci, owner of AB&I Foundry in Oakland.

For the past two weeks, Nancy's house had stacks of packing crates up to the ceiling. Her sons, Josu and Brendan, had to pick their way between the stacks to get from room to room. Last week, Josu had to move into Brendan's room to make space for even more boxes.

Last weekend, the boys and their friends — Michael Olvera, Kevin Sullivan and Krystal Sullivan — helped Monica and Nancy make individual gift boxes for each student at St. Joseph's. On Monday morning they loaded the boxes — all 210 — into the van and delivered them, just in time for the first day of school.

The contents varied according to age. The younger children got crayons, drawing paper, colored paper, glue sticks, scissors, baby wipes, paper towels and tissues.

The older kids got protractors, compasses, electronic calculators, notebooks, filler paper, graph paper, dividers, glue sticks, erasers, and a box of No. 2 pencils.

The Catholic church teaches that there are two different acts of charity: imperfect and perfect.

Imperfect is when you do it for a personal reason, like fear of hell. Perfect is when you do it for no other reason than you want to do the right thing. The feeling you get when you do the right thing is something that can't be matched by anything in the world.

As Nancy and Monica were distributing the boxes, one wide-eyed little boy asked them, "Are you rich?"

Not in the way he might think. But yes, they're very rich indeed.

Reach Martin Snapp at 510-262-2787 or e-mail msnapp@cctimes.com.

OF THE WEEK



BERKELEY EAST BAY HUMANE SOCIETY

is a handsome 1-year-old Chesapeake Bay Retriever mix who may be available for adoption at the Berkeley East Bay Humane Society. Volunteers say he's very smart and already knows "sit," "down," "shake" and "high-five." Though Cirio enjoys long walks and trips to the dog park, at heart he's just a potato who can't wait to snuggle by your side.

BERKELEY — The following animals may be available for adoption at the Berkeley East Bay Humane Society.

• 10-month-old female Labrador retriever mix, 11 months; female Queenslander mix, 12 weeks; female Rottweiler, 3 years; male Labrador retriever border collie mix, 10 months; border collie mix, 2-3 years; male Chihuahua, 11 months; female pit bull terrier/husky mix, 2 years; male lab mix, 2 years; female collie, 2-3 years; German shepherd mix, 2-3 years.

• Female black and white, 7 years; female gray, 6 years; several tortoiseshell, 4 and 5 years; several male black and white, 1-2 years, 5 years; female brown tabby, 14 years; male black and white, 1 year; male gray, 5 years; female calico, 3 years.

Adoption fee: cats \$100; dogs \$125 — including spaying, neutering, age-appropriate shots. There is an overnight hold period. Berkeley East Bay Humane Society is located at 2700 Ninth Street, Berkeley. Its hours are 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. Information: www.berkeleyhumane.org or call 510-845-4444.

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Neighbors

Writers class thrives at senior center

By Mary Reiley
STAFF WRITER

Creative writing is not for the faint-hearted, especially when it is practiced in a writers group.

I visited the Open House Senior Center in El Cerrito on Friday and was struck by the courage of participants sharing their own work in a writers workshop, and the generosity of those offering critiques or suggestions.

The 12 participants started the session by taking turns reading a short piece they had written in the last 15 minutes of the previous gathering. Each week, a piece of artwork or other object is presented and the task is to quickly write prose or poetry about it, and share the result at the next meeting.

After Friday's "round robin," the writers shared other things they have written.

David Rasmussen of El Cerrito brought copies of a play he wrote involving inner dialogue, and invited two others to take a role.

Listeners were left puzzled by Jean Bradman's "imaginative" piece, as Gene Sharee of Berkeley called it. Listeners wanted more information to help them understand it, asking for a title as a point of reference.

"The beauty of a group is that you can write something in the dark and bring it here and people start firing ideas (about it)," facilitator Stanley Whitehead said.

Sharee acknowledged the importance of working with the others. "We need feedback," he said.

Most of the writers bring their work to the table looking for that feedback, but others want something else.

"Some don't want criticism," Whitehead told me. "They just want to hear what (their work) sounds like out loud."

Whitehead has been facilitating the El Cerrito group for five years. It meets from 9 to 11 a.m. Fridays at the center, 6500 Stockton Ave.

Besides functioning as a writers group, the weekly sessions, Whitehead told me in an earlier phone interview, teach participants how a writers group functions, so they can join or start others. It seems to work well.

Margaret Irvin of El Sobrante, who has been coming to the workshops for a couple of years, called the sessions therapeutic. Whitehead keeps sessions lively, she said, and encourages participants to make their comments about a work specific.

"He wants to get the work off the page so it sparkles and lives," Irvin said.

She belongs to or leads other groups and plans to teach a class in the fall.

Robert Maynard of Oakland said he looks forward to the Friday sessions, whether or not he has something to share.

"I can come and not feel I must have something to present every week," he said. "I've been to groups I've had to pay for that weren't as good as this."

The group gives him an impetus to keep writing, he said.

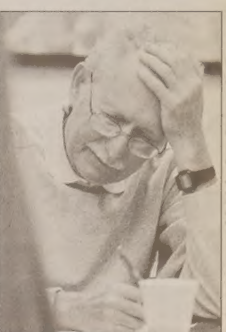
Group members plan a reading at 10 a.m. Saturday at Barnes & Noble, 6060 El Cerrito Plaza, El Cerrito.

Rasmussen and the others are hoping a founding member of the group, 95-year-old Jeanette Sarno, will attend and share some of her work. "She's a prolific writer," Whitehead said.

Two of her pieces are in "Poetry & Prose from the Writer's Group, 2004," a booklet available at the senior center.

Organized by Whitehead, the collection includes works by most of the group members.

"These are quite good writers," Whitehead said. "They come to-



JOANNA JHANDASTAFF

ROBERT MAYNARD of Oakland searches for just the right words during a writers workshop exercise at the Open House Senior Center in El Cerrito on Aug. 20.

gether to write what I consider to be extraordinary works."

"I love what they do," said senior center director Ellen Paasch. "It's nice to be heard," Irvin told me after Friday's workshop. "Seniors need that."

"People get more interesting as they get older."

For details on the workshops, call the Open House Senior Center at 510-215-4340.

Bottom line: Everyone's an idiot in this village

WE LEFT ALBANY for vacation before we could see "The Village," the new movie from M. Night Shyamalan. On our trip, there wasn't much to read in the languages we pretend to speak at our house, French, Spanish, and sometimes English, so by the time we were walking up and down Solano Avenue again, we had no idea what anyone thought of "The Village." Allison Parker, and I decided to check it out.

Between the village we live in and the one in the movie, I like ours better. Way better. I feel like I'm careening down the old curlicue slide at Memorial Park with this director — exhilarated at the top when he made "The Sixth Sense," still having fun on the trip down with "Unbreakable," slowing a bit as the ground approaches with "Signs," and then landing in a disappointed heap with "The Village." I live in fear that next he'll try a remake of "The English Patient," and watching that would be like plopping into the Memorial Park sand after one of the neighborhood cats had just used it for the reason cats think sand was invented.



ROBERT MENZIMER
Life is a Movie

In this one, William Hurt, Sigourney Weaver, Joaquin Phoenix, Adrien Brody, and Bryce Howard (Ron's daughter, and I hope there are happier days ahead for her after this movie), play isolated, late 19th century villagers who have fled the evils of civilization. Maybe they heard that Carl's Jr. ads and drivers talking on cell phones were coming. Or maybe they heard in advance about this film. Anyway, they've built this village surrounded by woods. And in the woods live these creatures. William Hurt, as a village elder and schoolteacher, tells the kids what the deal is with the monsters. "Children," he intones, sounding like having to recite this dialogue gives him a headache, "We do not go into their woods, they do not come into our valley. It is a truce." Or maybe the monsters just don't

want to be subjected to this screenplay. The cardboard dialogue is part of the plot, and I won't say any more than that, but still, it made me want to bolt for a Spike Lee movie.

And speaking of the monsters, oh please. Are they warthogs? Are they big porcupines? Who can tell? Or more to the point, who cares?

At one juncture, the blind village played by young Ms. Howard makes a stumbling trek through the perilous woods. Hand-held camera, bare tree limbs revealing against a sunless sky ... OK, now we've got the "Blair Village Project." She has a long journey, and it felt like we were being dragged along with her in real time. It was like "My Dinner with Andre" on the Mist Trail at Yosemite. I was afraid that by the time she got where she was going, Mr. Shyamalan would be out with a holiday movie.

There are some good things here, including a superb cast, albeit bereft of much that's interesting to say. Bryce Howard is a revelation, movie genes galore. One scene involving a knife is joltingly effective, the director at his best. But his trademark plot twists are starting to work against him — you spend the whole movie waiting for the big surprise at the end, especially with this film, since there's little else to keep you awake until you get there.

After the movie, Parker's friend William came over and I heard one greet the other with, "Dude! 'Sup?" It was the perfect perk-me-up after the droning, stilted dialogue of "The Village." Only two words. Spoken by a real person. In a real village.

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"... were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers, or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate to prefer the latter."

— Thomas Jefferson

EDITORIAL

Not all important elections are national

A TESTY TIME is just around the corner, when national and local candidates will turn up the heat in their competition to get your vote.

And it won't be only the politicians and campaign managers who will try to make up your mind for you; there will also be friends, co-workers and letter-writers making cases for their parties and their people of choice.

Considering the volatile feelings about the war in Iraq, the economy, terrorism and even arguments over what constitutes patriotism, there will be no lack of candid messages being sent out to the media by voters on the national elections.

That's good. The media should report what people think about the state of their country.

However —

While the Journal won't refuse to print letters on the national election, the first priority will remain our cities' issues and elections.

Community newspapers fulfill a unique role, not only in reporting a town's hard and soft news but in providing space for readers to have their say about what's going on in their communities.

Metro newspapers are meant to cover the national issues. Community newspapers are meant to focus on local issues.

So, as the campaign season gains momentum, the Journal will, as usual, focus first on letters about Albany, El Cerrito and Kensington's issues and candidates. National news is available on television, and in other newspapers, on the radio and the Internet.

When space on the editorial page allows, we will print letters about national and state issues. We understand that residents here are thinking about the rest of the world, too. And given the generally high level of education and literacy among our populace, those opinions are typically well thought out and articulately expressed.

But before writing about Bush or Kerry or state initiatives or county representatives, before taking another jab at "The Governor," consider what is happening in our own back yard.

In El Cerrito, four candidates are running for three open seats. Those who are chosen will help shape the future of El Cerrito as a number of critical issues, from redevelopment around Del Norte BART and consideration of a proposal for a parking garage at the Plaza station to the controversial Cerrito Theater project come before the council.

Also controversial is the utility users tax, the continuation of which El Cerrito voters will decide on come Nov. 2.

Tax measures also are going to Albany's voters, as homeowners are asked to tax themselves to raise millions to upgrade schools, and whether to increase taxes on large commercial and industrial property owners to help pay for emergency medical services.

Albany's council race has attracted six candidates for three open seats. Development on the Albany waterfront and rezoning areas near San Pablo Avenue — issues that may significantly change these areas of town over the next few years — will be at the forefront of issues facing the council.

Three candidates are running for two open seats on the Albany school board. And in the West County school district, six challengers and an incumbent are vying for two seats on the board.

We've got plenty to deal with and to discuss right here at home. And however much we appreciate letter writers' views on all subjects, those that deal with local issues will have priority.

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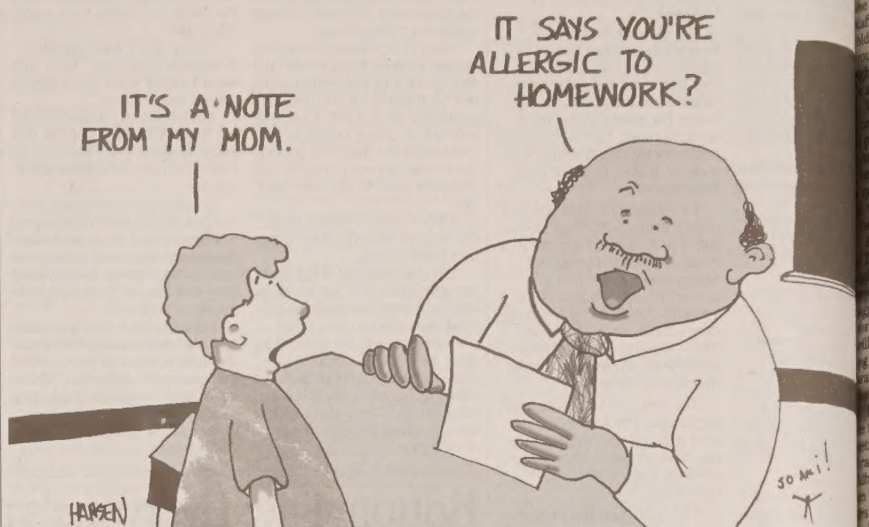
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Open space fund vote snafus

No discussion of the open space fund vote in Contra Costa County would be complete without speaking to the ineptitude and inefficiency of the folks who handled the election.

As a registered county voter, I had to track them down when I failed to receive a ballot. First the number listed to call had a full mailbox, then the Registrar of Voters referred me to the Open Space Fund, which stated they needed my parcel number to send me a ballot. After some talking, they agreed to look up my parcel number themselves, since this is not something I usually have at my work.

When I failed to receive it within two weeks, and called again, they said it was on its way, since they had to look up my parcel number. I finally received it, only to find out that we needed to submit only one ballot per household.

I finally mailed it the week before and have no way of knowing if my vote in favor of the fund made it.

This process took six phone calls over a three-week period. I am unusually persevering and wonder how many other people this might have happened to who lacked the wherewithal to do the same. One is left to wonder if it altered the outcome.

Next time do a better job of explaining the process and handling the election. I have a feeling it would result in a win, rather than a close loss.

Laura Brainin-Rodriguez
El Cerrito

We have a right to know

I recently read an article about John Kerry's response to an advertisement by MoveOn PAC that attacked President Bush's National Guard service.

I commend candidate John Kerry for taking the high ground and asking MoveOn to pull the ad. I very much appreciate Kerry's stance that this campaign is about "issues not insults."

Nevertheless, I do think one of the issues that has not yet been fully addressed is the nature of Bush's military service.

On "Meet the Press," Bush promised to release all of his military records, but he is now refusing to do so. In fact, the Associated Press has had to file a lawsuit against the Pentagon in an attempt to get access to these records.

I may not agree with the use of his negative political ads, but I agree with Eli Pariser of MoveOn when he says, "We believe the nation has a right to know whether George Bush showed up for service or not."

As American citizens who are trying to decide who we want as our next president and next commander in chief, we do have a right to know the truth, be it good or bad, about Bush's National Guard service.

I hope journalists and citizens alike will join together to insist we get access to these records. If President Bush has nothing to hide, he should enthusiastically release the records so this issue can be put to rest.

Selene Fabiano
El Cerrito

El Cerritans, wake up!

Your article about El Cerrito Councilman Mark Friedman (Journal, Aug. 13) didn't cover motivation.

Why would a politician inclined toward compromise lend himself to a vi-

cious, lying hit piece against Councilwoman Kathie Perka?

Answer: Friedman came from the big-stakes political world of state Sen. Don Perata. El Cerrito masquerades as "progressive" but mainly caters to construction and related special interests. The easiest sources of campaign money are developers pursuing massive projects. Questionable and even failed projects fund election campaigns and make work for city staff.

Perka asked questions about cost-effectiveness and stood in the way of these interests. She could have thwarted the eminent domain vote for controversial redevelopment and BART projects. Hence the hit piece campaign against her.

Even scarier is that Friedman so dirtied local politics that potential council challengers who could stand up to our town's dominant political machine won't compete. Why swim in this polluted pool?

Don't expect a single voice of common sense in the new El Cerrito Council when dealing with dumb, grandiose projects.

They don't mind if auto traffic is totally bottled up, hoping it will eventually generate hundreds of millions of dollars for some form of rail solution. Consultants are paid for phony impact projections, leading to established neighborhoods being gradually replaced by "transit oriented housing." All it takes is political clout, and passive taxpaying residents.

A couple of weeks ago, the council approved bonding for another \$17 million for redevelopment. More money, more political favors. El Cerritans, wake up, you're being had!

Peter Loubal
El Cerrito

Court partly wrong

We see no ethical justification for denying the name or the privileges of marriage to same-sex couples. To claim that such unions are in some way threatening to heterosexual marriage reminds us of that cartoon in which a woman says to her friend at lunch, "Gay couples don't threaten my marriage. It's the heterosexual women who sleep with my husband."

Regrettably, it is probably legally true that Mayor Gavin Newsom exceeded the limits of his authority. Such is often the case when injustices are common policy and are opposed by persons of conscience.

The larger question, the underlying issue of human rights, will be decided in time by the verdict of higher courts and of history.

The court choosing to invalidate the previously issued marriage licenses is both wrong and useless. It's wrong because the decision should have been deferred until the larger issue had been settled — legally if not ethically.

The decision was useless because the honor and sanction conferred in the marriage ceremony reside not in the law books, but in the hearts of those attending the ceremony.

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Health is paramount

Regarding Tiburon's radio-announced battle, after the 1991 Gulf War, a radio soldier got ALS. He was ridiculed for asserting he got ALS from serving in the Gulf War. He was told it was random luck.

Wasting away, in a televised interview the anguished soldier pleaded: "Can you find out military service in war caused perfectly healthy soldiers me to get ALS. Don't let 'authorities' insist 'science proves' no link with ALS member me, do more research."

The TV host said scientific studies showed no ALS/Gulf War correlation. Despite sympathy for the dying soldier, television viewers were left feeling it was embarrassing to give the dying soldier's viewpoint a second look.

A decade later, the military and government announced long-term, serious health studies proving a correlation between serving in the Gulf War and contracting ALS.

Service triggers more than a 100 percent increase of the risk of contracting ALS, compared to "random chance." Gulf War soldiers developing ALS are longer targets of ridicule. Arguments used in the 1990s, shaming those who serving was linked with ALS, are irrelevant.

Using ridicule and shame toward supporting minority positions, softens questioning and dissent, are very powerful social mechanisms. It helps maintain momentum moving forward with ideas that appear to be promising for greater public good.

We need more long-term studies know the true effects of transmitting others placed in populated areas. Nothing more precious than having one's life — nothing!

Valerie Davis

Don't be fooled

As a physician who lives in Contra Costa County and who works in Alameda County, I fought for two ballot measures in 2004 to preserve crucial hospital services in both counties.

Measure A has kept Alameda County Medical Center solvent and Measure B has provided funding for Doctors Hospital San Pablo after the Tenet pulled out.

Both of these were tax measures and both were put into law by an overwhelming majority of citizens voting their best interests.

Let us not be fooled by the latest lore of tax cuts being upheld by current administration, and sure as hell Republican campaign strategy. Although the feds are chomping at the health-care system, when it comes health-care services, we have a long line, too, and have paid the tax bill at this end.

Be sure to think about your local emergency room and trauma services this summer, as you plan your voting strategy come the fall.

Vote for sane and centralized funding for urgent health care needs everywhere. Vote for John Kerry.

Dr. Sheira Friedman

Pooled resources benefit library users

Quote of the week:
"The Peninsula Library System strengthens local libraries, through cooperation, enabling them to provide better service to their diverse communities."
— Mission statement, Peninsula Library System, adopted Feb. 7, 1989



JULIE WINKELSTEIN
At the Library

A FEW WEEKS AGO, a woman described her experience returning a library video to the wrong library system. When she figured out what she had done, she talked to the librarians at both libraries and was told that, eventually, the video would probably show up at the right place. If not, there would be a charge for replacing it. What she wanted to know was: Is there a system in place for this kind of misadventure? And how does it work?

The answer is that, yes, there is a system — of sorts, depending on where the book started and where it ends up. In the two libraries are part of the BALIS (Bay Area Library Information Services), it is very simple: The book is tracked and sent on to the home library. Whether or not fines are accruing while it's making its way depends on the library system and possibly even on the person sending it on. If it's a school book, it will be returned, although how it gets there depends on the library and the school system. In many, a parent picks them up on their way through and delivers them to the school. Why does this happen? Coordinating is a good idea for libraries, for all sorts of reasons. Part of BALIS

(www.baylibraries.org) means those libraries, which include eight library systems in the Bay Area, can work together. They can put on joint campaigns, such as the recent Library Week campaign. They can also provide education and staff development activities for library employees. By working together, they can combine the expertise and resources of the member libraries, in a time when many libraries are struggling for funds.

The Peninsula Library System is an even larger organization, made up of 34 public and community college libraries. In addition to these member libraries, they also work with BALIS and other cooperative library systems.

Their strategic plan focuses on their "commitment to coordinating as many library services as possible, thereby allowing local libraries to focus scarce resources on unique local services" (Peninsula Library System, strategic plan 2004-2007, draft).

These systems can also work together on legislation and public awareness, a great benefit in areas like the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA).

Another advantage of cooperation among libraries is that

bringing together different types of libraries means representatives of these systems will have an opportunity to find out more about each other's challenges and daily workings.

LINK+ is another good example of library cooperation. This group of California public and academic libraries provides a wonderful resource that has greatly expanded the offerings of the member libraries.

The Alameda County Library was the first public library to join this system and, as a librarian in that system, I can say it has been an incredible asset.

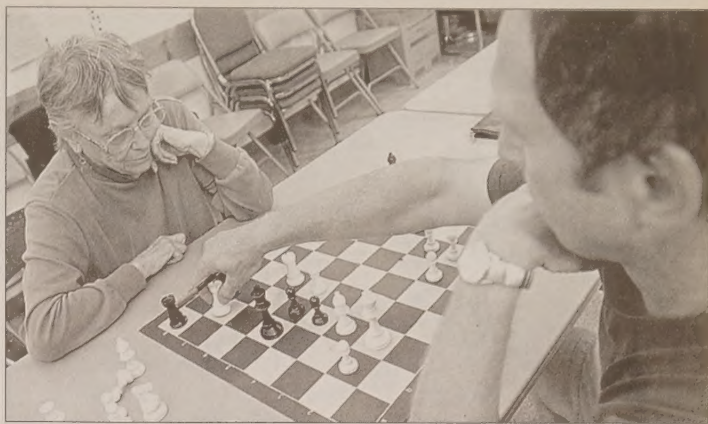
LINK+ is easy to use: When library users can't find a particular book in their own library system, they can then search the LINK+ database. If the item is available, a request can be made, and the material is delivered to the local branch within a few days. This service is free, although the fines and replacement costs can be high, and fast.

One of the greatest advantages to LINK+ is the combination of academic and public libraries.

College students and faculty have access to popular reading materials and public library users have access to academic ones.

This system, like all of the cooperative library programs, benefits everyone — the library user, most of all.

Reach librarian Julie Winkelstein at jwinkelstein@aclib.org or at the Albany Library.



GREGORY URQUIAGA/STAFF

ED HIRSCH teaches student Doris Todd a few moves in an Albany Senior Center chess class on Friday, Aug. 20. Hirsch, who teaches mostly on Wednesday mornings, likes to show students a few different moves in either the opening, middle or end game of chess.

LIBRARY ACTIVITIES

The Contra Costa County Library's "Stories to Go" program is seeking volunteers to help in its mission to foster a love of books and reading through weekly story times in preschool classes. The library will train and support volunteers and provide them with materials.

For details on training classes, contact Lyn Palme at lpalme@ccclib.org or 925-927-3288.

The Albany Library offers free, drop-in chess workshops every Tuesday from 6 to 8 p.m. for players of all levels. The sessions are led by Stephen Shaughnessy, veteran teacher from the Berkeley Chess School.

The Albany Library, a branch of the Alameda County Library, is located at 1247 Marin Ave. Information: 510-526-3720 ext. 20.

The Pop-Up Players present stories, songs and more when J. Roger's Pirate School is in session at the El Cerrito Library, Saturday, Sept. 18 at 11 a.m.

Readers Anonymous, the El Cerrito Library's book club, meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. Copies of the current selection are available at the checkout desk. Next up: "The Human Stain" by Philip Roth (Sept. 28) and "Lying Awake" by Mark Salzman (Oct. 28).

The El Cerrito Library, a branch of the Contra Costa County Library, is located at 6510 Stockton Ave. For details call 510-526-7512.

Come say "G'day" to Tony Borders and his Australian puppets on Tuesday, Aug. 31 at 6:30 p.m. when they visit the Kensington Library to help celebrate the completion of the summer Reading Club. A drawing for the kangaroo puppet will follow the Friends of the Kensington Library-sponsored performance.

Family Storytimes for all ages are held on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. (except when special programs are scheduled) at the library.

The Kensington Library, a branch of the Contra Costa County Library, is at 61 Arlington Ave., Kensington, CA 94707-1098. Phone: 510-524-3043.

EL CERRITO SCHOOL NEWS

Ending Elementary

PICNIC TIME: A back-to-school community picnic is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 28 at the Harding Park Clubhouse from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., organized by Harding School parents.

The community is invited to picnic get-together — food provided. It's a chance for returning Harding families and neighbors of the school to meet each other, hear about plans for moving into the new

\$13 million school, and find out more about PTA-sponsored programs while the children participate in games and activities. Parents want to thank local merchants who contributed to the event, including FatApples, Safeway, Albertson's, All Star Donuts and others.

The school is located on Fairmount Avenue at Ashbury Avenue in El Cerrito. The main entrance is on "C" Street (between Ashbury Avenue and Behrens Street). For information, call Lisa

at 510-236-6046.

Portola middle school

PORTOLA PTA: The Portola Music Parents and PTA will be holding their first meetings of the year on Tuesday, Aug. 31, in the Portola library. The Music Parents meeting will begin at 6:15 p.m., and the PTA meeting will follow at 7:15. For more information, please contact PTA President Terri Knight at 510-528-1290.

The school is establishing a

new e-mail tree. Portola parents who have not received an invitation by e-mail to join can. By now, you should have received an invitation from sue.mertens@yahoo.com to join the "portolapia" group through yahogroups.com. The e-mail tree should be up and running by Sept. 1.

El Cerrito High School

'06 CAR WASH: The Class of 2006 will have its second car wash on Sunday, Aug. 29, at the

R&R gas station at the corner of El Cerrito Plaza and across the street from the El Cerrito Plaza Bart Station. It runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Volunteers who would like to help wash cars should bring a bucket, rags, a squeegee and/or car soap. Cars are \$5; trucks, SUVs, etc. are \$8.

MAILING PARTY: The PTSA will hold its annual PTSA mailing party on Thursday, Sept. 2. Volunteers are needed to help stuff, label and stamp more than 1,500 letters to every El Cerrito

High School family. This is the PTSA's big fund-raiser push for the year. The mailing will include a Albertson's Preferred Saving notice, direct appeal, Pasta Pomodoro coupons and more.

The party begins at 4 p.m. and continues until the job is done. Beverages and snacks are provided.

If you have any questions or suggestions, call Joann Steck-Bayat at 510-524-9464.

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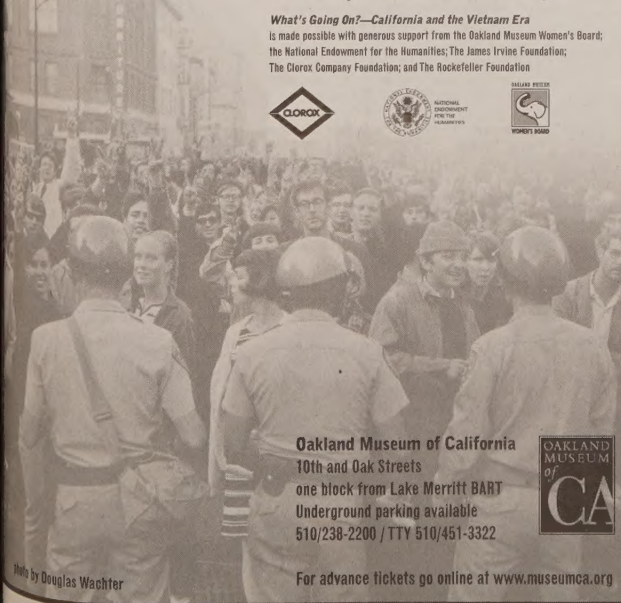
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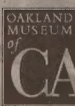
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Sycamore Bazaar preparations

GLORIA MORITA, of El Cerrito, right, shows Sycamore Congregational Church members how to decorate blank greeting cards using colorful dried flowers and leaves at the church in El Cerrito, on Sunday. The cards will sell for \$2 each at the church's 38th annual Sycamore Bazaar Sept. 19. Food, handicrafts and plants will also be available.

SENIOR CALENDAR

Albany

Albany Senior Center — 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, 846 Masonic Ave. Golf program for seniors begins Thursday; free. 510-524-9122.

Berkeley

North Berkeley Senior Center — 8 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays, 1901 Hearst Ave. Birthdays will be celebrated Wednesday; Art Cummings Band will entertain. Tenor Richard Tucker will be featured in opera gala video on Sept. 3. 510-981-5190.

South Berkeley Senior Center — 8 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays, 2939 Ellis St. Birthdays will be celebrated today. 510-981-5170.

St. John's Prime Timers — 9 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Tuesdays, 2727 College Ave. Let's Talk, with Helen Betts, will be Tuesday. 510-845-6890.

West Berkeley Senior Center — 8 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays, 1900 6th St. Flea market Tuesdays and Thursdays. 510-981-5180.

El Cerrito

St. John's Senior Center — 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesdays, 6500 Gladys Ave. Birthdays will be celebrated Tuesday and there will be a sing-along. 510-237-3808.

The Open House — 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Fridays, 6500 Stockton Ave. 510-215-4340.

Kensington

Kensington Senior Activity Center — 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Thursdays at Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington Ave. There will be a potluck noon Thursday; bring a dish to serve four to six people or donate \$3. 510-526-9146.

Richmond

Alzheimer's Respite Care Center — 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Saturday at 1015 Nevin Ave., Suite 108. Complete care and activities for people with Alzheimer's disease and related conditions. 510-235-6276.

Senior Adult Activity Center — 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Tuesdays at First Presbyterian Church, 34th Street and Barrett Avenue. There will be a potluck lunch Tuesday. 510-234-0954.

Richmond Senior Drop-In Center — 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. weekdays, 2525 Macdonald Ave. 510-307-8087.

The Annex Senior Center — 9 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays, 5801 Huntington Ave. 510-620-6812.

All seniors

The Stroke Support Group — 7-9 p.m. Thursday in the auditorium at Doctors Medical Center, 2000 Vale Road, San Pablo. 925-676-7733.

K'Burg claims Youth of the Year honor

BRIANA K'BURG WAS poised, eloquent and enthusiastic as she accepted the plaque as Albany Youth of the Year from the Albany Chamber of Commerce, as well as the resolution from the California Assembly, presented by Assemblywoman Loni Hancock. In her thanks to everyone she let it show that she had enjoyed every moment of the time she spent in community service during her high school years.

Briana's community service included being a member of and leading, as president, the Leo group at Albany High. The Leos are the student version of the Lions Club, and, she tells us, they do many of the things the parent group does, plus helping in several other activities.

Also, since her father, Bill K'Burg, is an active member of the Kiwanis — he's currently president of the Albany-El Cerrito chapter — she has helped in the many community activities of that organization since she was 8 years old. Laughing, she tells of the Fourth of July when she helped set up for the Lions table at the El Cerrito Fourth of July Faire, dashed to Albany to work with the Leos and the Lions at their celebration, back to El Cerrito to help with the Kiwanis table, then back to Albany to assist making and serving the hot dogs in the Kiwanis section there. Exhausting, but "lots of fun."

Bill K'Burg was thrilled last week when, the day after Briana turned 18, he could induct her as an adult member of the Kiwanis.

"All of them know me, because I've been around since I was 8," she said, "So they are all friends. It's great." And she laughs again as she looks forward to the coming year, when, as a freshman at Gonzaga Uni-



CLARA-RAE GENSER
Community Folk

versity in Washington, she will join the Circle K group there. Circle K is the college section of the Kiwanis.

"I will be a full-fledged Kiwanian, even before joining the Circle K. Rather unusual."

Briana leaves this week for Gonzaga, and is very excited about it. Asked how she chose that small university she answered, "I wanted a small college. I like the idea of small classrooms where the professors know you, are aware of your presence or absence, and of what you do. Gonzaga has all of that, plus a very beautiful campus. When I visited there the people were friendly and the atmosphere was warm."

She thought a bit, and added, "I look forward to living in four seasons. We don't have that here. We are so spoiled." She doesn't think the damp, rainy climate will bother her.

"People who live there tell me you get used to it. My

brother, Spencer, who Puget Sound University in Washington, says if you have an umbrella everywhere you are from somewhere. He says you just don't it."

Briana and her mother, Patricia, have just returned from Europe. They visited in London, where Briana is completing a year of study. She looks forward to doing the same thing in her junior year at Gonzaga. She and her mother visited London and Paris although it was a rather long trip, it has whetted her for travel.

K'Burg attended the John the Baptist school in El Cerrito before going to Albany High. She says that as she learned to love her classes.

The Saturday celebration of the Youth of the Year, Joan Larson, who lauded for her many community activities, including education fund and the of the Albany Library happy gathering of the admirers of both Briana

Tips on people doing things in Albany, El Cerrito, Kensington? Let Clara-Rae Genser know at 510-845-6890.

El Cerrito artist to show work at gallery

El Cerrito artist and arts and culture commissioner, Pam Fingado and San Pablo artist and Vista College teacher, Dianne Rusnak will be exhibiting at the San Pablo Arts Gallery from Aug. 28 through Oct. 3.

The gallery is located at 5030 Telegraph Ave. at One Alvarado Square, San Pablo.

The reception for the show will be held on Saturday from 1 to 3 p.m.

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Children

Classes — Karate for ages 4 & up - the non-aggressive Karate, and Karukui (9-16) - a self-defense class just for girls. Accepting enrollment for the Fall. Classes are taught by a Female Instructor and focus is on performing the Bay area and on our tour in the most spring. Your child will learn basic music reading and singing as well as the performing arts. Contact Shanti Moorjani (the number is 510-848-0237) for an audition appointment to the class on Wednesday, Sept. 1 and Thursday, Sept. 8. The number is 510-848-0237.

Check out books from the Berkeley Jewish Community Center — Spend quality time with your child by checking out books from the library. The library is at 1414 Walnut St. Open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Fridays. 848-0237.

Offers special programs — Children from 22 months to 5 years are invited to offer parents an opportunity to leave their pre-school child at home under supervision. The program for ages 3 to 5 years meets Monday through Thursday, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Located at 7007 Moeser Rd. 848-0237.

Community

Elementary Back-to-School

Community Picnic is 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 28 at the Harding Park Clubhouse. New and returning Harding families and the neighborhood are invited for free food at this fun-filled event. Meet other families, hear about plans for moving into the new \$13 million school, and find out more about PTA-sponsored programs while your children participate in games and activities. The school is on Fairmount Avenue at Ashbury in El Cerrito. Lisa, 510-745-1511.

Cooking demonstration — Vanni Patchara of Vanni restaurant will give an Asian cuisine cooking demonstration at 11 a.m., Sept. 4, as part of the World Food Festival at the Berkeley Farmer's Market. Market located at Center St. at Martin Luther King Jr. Way in Berkeley and runs 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Free. Details: 510-548-3333, www.ecologycenter.org.

Kol Sippur: A Festival of Jewish Storytelling with Joel Ben Izzy, Roslyn Bresnick-Perry, Steve Sanfield, Erica Lann Clark and Jane Golbert takes place Sunday, Oct. 10, from 10:30 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Berkeley Richmond Jewish Community Center, 1414 Walnut St. Berkeley. Events include: a full day of performances - including a special children's performance, innovative workshops, story swapping, story hour, book fair, food and childcare. All day: \$25 public/\$50 co-sponsors, families: \$70 public/\$85 co-sponsors. Half day (after 1 p.m.): \$18 public/\$15 co-sponsors, families: \$40 public/\$30 co-sponsors. Children's performance only \$6 per person. Childcare: \$3 an hour (must be reserved by Oct. 1). 510-848-0237x 110 or www.bjcc.org. Tickets go on sale Sept. 8.

The Ecology Center's newest Berkeley farmers market celebrates its grand opening at Shattuck Avenue at Rose Street, with special guests Chef Alice Waters and Mayor Tom Bates. The free market will feature all organically grown produce. The grand opening is Aug. 26, 3-7 p.m. Regular hours are Thursdays, 3-7 p.m. 510-548-3333; www.ecology-center.org.

World Food Festival at the Satur-



New look at old classic

AURORA THEATRE kicks off its new season next week with a new adaptation of what the Berkeley company calls "The oldest surviving play in Western literature," the 2,500-year-old "The Persians." Pictured are Queen Atossa (Lura Dolas) and her son Xerxes (Craig Marker). "The Persians" opens in previews Sept. 3, and its main run is Sept. 9-Oct. 10 at the Aurora Theatre, 2081 Addison St., Berkeley. Tickets are \$28-\$40. Contact 510-843-4822 or www.auroratheatre.org.

day Berkeley Farmers' Market Event IV, Asian Cuisine features a cooking demonstration by Vanni Patchara of Vanni-Innovative Cuisine. Free. Saturday, Sept. 4, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Chef demonstration starting at 11 a.m. Center Street at Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Berkeley. 510-548-3333; www.ecology-center.org.

American Rhododendron Society, Cal Chapter meets Thursday Sept. 16 at 7:30 p.m. at the Lakeside Park Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Ave. in Oakland near the entrance to Children's Fairyland. The society's yearly propagation program is featured this month. Bring rhodie or azalea cuttings to share. Newcomers welcome. Marilynne, 510-223-0443.

All star basketball — The City of Berkeley Young Adult Project is holding its Annual All Star Weekend. Come support some of the best basketball players in Twilight Basketball. Events include 2-ball, 3-point contest, slam dunk, and all-star games. Games held at Martin Luther King Jr. Youth Services Center, 1730 Oregon Street, Aug. 27, 7-10 p.m. (ages 14-15), Aug. 28, 4-7 p.m. (ages 11-13), and Aug. 29, 4-7 p.m. (ages 16-18). Free. Details: 510-981-6678.

Saturday, Aug. 28, Rhythm & Muse returns with a Neruda Centennial Tribute Open Mic. Open mic sign-up 6:30

p.m., reading/performance 7 p.m. Admission free. Piano & 2 mics available. Berkeley Art Center, 1275 Walnut St., between Eunice and Rose streets. 510-527-9753.

Take a Seat for Habitat Auction and Gala is Sept. 17. Auction featuring 15 custom-decorated children's chairs, designed by celebrities to benefit Habitat Children's Museum in Berkeley. Celebrity designs from Lance Armstrong, Pixar Animation Studios with Ellen DeGeneres, Mayor Gavin Newsom, India.Arie and more. Wine, hors d'oeuvres, and dancing with entertainment by The Amazing DJs. Friday, Sept. 17, 7-11 p.m. at Casa de la Vista on Treasure Island. Tickets \$100 per person available in advance at 510-647-1111, ext. 16. Details: www.habitat.org.

Programs at the Albany Senior Center, 846 Masonic Ave.: Golf Program for Seniors, first Thursday in September, October, November, 11-30 a.m. 1:30 p.m. (524-9122 to sign up) free; Smoking Cessation Group, Fridays, 10 a.m.-noon, seven meetings starting Aug. 27, sliding scale \$3-\$10, per week; Senior Issues Support Group, Thursdays 11 a.m.-noon, starts Sept 9, \$15

The 13th annual Alta Bates Summit Celebrity Golf and Tennis Classic benefits the medical center's nationally recognized substance-abuse program,

Thunder Road. Jim Courier and John Lloyd headline the celebrity tennis event on Saturday, Sept. 18. Watch 30-plus sports and entertainment celebrities compete with sponsored tennis players on six courts at the Berkeley Tennis Club. Followed by a star-studded gala dinner at the Claremont Resort. Tickets to the celebrity tennis event cost \$25 and include a box lunch; children 10 and under are free. Tickets to the gala dinner are also available. For more info or tickets, visit www.absfnd.org, or call 510-204-1667. The Alta Bates Summit Celebrity Golf Tournament kicks off the week at the Diablo Country Club. Golfers will tee off on Monday, Sept. 12 for a day competing with local pros and celebrities. Tickets to the golf tournament cover a round of golf, lunch and a celebrity gala dinner.

The Arlington Community Church in Kensington would like to invite singers in the neighborhood to a **Potluck/Sing-through** of their fall and Christmas music. Potluck starts at 6 p.m., singing starts at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 25 at the Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington Ave., in Kensington. Call Leslie, the choir director at 843-7745 or the church 526-9146 for further information.

Prospect Sierra School, 960 Avis Drive in El Cerrito, offers "Community Country Dance" Contra, circle, and couple dances from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. on the second Friday of each month. An intro class is offered at 7:30 p.m. All dances are done to live fiddle music and prompted by caller, Kirston Koths. No partners are required. Beginners are welcome. Cost is \$10. Wear clean, no marking shoes. For more information, call 510-233-7929.

The Berkeley City Club and the Landmark Heritage Foundation, are dedicated to the preservation and promotion of the legacy of Julia Morgan. Take a free docent-led tour of the Berkeley City Club on the fourth Sunday of each month except December, 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Tours are free; donations are welcome. The Berkeley City Club is located at 2315 Durant Avenue (two blocks west of Telegraph Avenue). For

group reservations or more information, call 510 848-7800 or 510-883-9710.

Donations

Cars needed — Boys and Girls Clubs throughout California are running car campaigns to help support their programs. If you would like to donate your automobile, the Club can be contacted at 800-246-0493. Some restrictions apply.

Exhibits

Art exhibit — The Giorgi Gallery, 2911 Claremont Avenue, Berkeley, presents Kathy Collop monotype prints "Refraction and in the Air" Sept. 1-19. Artist reception at 5 p.m., Sept. 2. Gallery hours Wednesday-Friday 1-6 p.m. and weekends 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Details: 510-848-1228 or giorgigallery@yahoo.com.

Enamel exhibition — The Arts & Crafts Cooperative Inc. (ACCI) Gallery will host the 7th International Juried Enamel Exhibition from Sept. 3-Oct. 9 at 1652 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley. The exhibition will feature 37 artists showcasing work from traditional and non-traditional enameling techniques, highlighting the ancient art of fusing glass to metal. Opening reception 6-8 p.m. Sept. 10. Details: 510-843-2527.

Albany Arts Committee presents "Here We Are: Scenes from Not-So-Far Away," paintings of Albany by Kanna Aoki, in the Albany Community Center and Library's Foyer Gallery, 1249 Marin Ave., through Oct. 7. Details: 510-524-9283.

"Bohemian Berkeley 1890 - 1925" exhibit has been extended until Sept. 19 at the Berkeley History Center, 1931 Center St., Berkeley. Thursday-Saturday, 1-4 p.m. Details: 510-848-0181 or www.ci.berkeley.ca.us/histoc. The exhibit focuses on the colorful, artistic community of late 19th and early 20th century Berkeley — its inhabitants,

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ideals, and activities. The exhibition features artifacts and photographs from the Berkeley Historical Society archives and the community.

■ **Judah L. Magnes Museum**, 2911 Russell St., continues its exhibit "A Voice Silenced," through Sept. 19. The exhibition, by Diane Neumaier, is in memory of Leonore Schwarz Neumaier. Gallery hours: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday through Wednesday; 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday. For more information, call 510-549-6950 or visit the Web site at www.magnes.org.

■ **The seventh International Juried Enamel Exhibition to find a New Home at the Arts and Crafts Cooperative Inc.** Gallery runs Sept. 3 to Oct. 9. Gallery hours: Monday-Friday, 11-6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Opening reception: Friday, Sept. 10, 6-8 p.m. 1652 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 510-843-2527

■ **Giorgi Gallery**, 2911 Claremont Ave., Berkeley, presents "An Angel Is My Watermark" through Aug. 30. Monoprints by Elizabeth Addison and her printmaking students from Studio 1509 in Berkeley. For more info about Elizabeth: www.studio1509lineart.com. 510-848-1226. Wednesday-Friday, 1-6 p.m., Saturday and Sunday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Film/dance/stage

■ **Greek drama** — Aurora Theatre Company opens its 13th season with "The Persians," an adaptation by actress and playwright Ellen McLaughlin, of the earliest surviving play in Western literature. Shows run Sept. 3 through Oct. 10 at 8 p.m., Wed.-Sat., and at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets \$28-\$45, available at 510-843-4822 or www.auroratheatre.org. 2081 Addison St., Berkeley.

■ **On their toes** — Suzanne Farrell Ballet, the company created by former New York City Ballet prima ballerina, Suzanne Farrell, returns to Berkeley for two performances of works by George Balanchine. Shows at 8 p.m. on Sept. 17-18 at Zellerbach Hall on the UC Berkeley campus. Tickets \$30, \$42, \$56, call 510-642-9988.

■ **Northern points** — The acclaimed National Ballet of Canada performs Balanchine's Apollo; artistic director James Kudelka's There, below, set to Vaughan Williams; and The Four Seasons, set to

Vivaldi's famous sequence of concerti. Members of the Berkeley Symphony Orchestra join in for this Cal Performances engagement. Shows at 8 p.m. on Sept. 30 and Oct. 1 & 2, and at 3 p.m. Oct. 3 at Zellerbach Hall on the UC Berkeley campus. Tickets \$36, \$48, \$88, call 510-642-9988.

■ **Dancing spirit** — The acclaimed Virsky Ukrainian National Dance Company celebrates the culture and rich dance traditions of the Ukraine in ballet master Pavlo Virsky's athletic choreography. Performing at 3 p.m. Sept. 19 at Zellerbach Hall on the UC Berkeley campus. Tickets \$24, \$36, \$48, call 510-642-9988.

■ **All star international flamenco performers for Peace and Freedom** at La Peña Sunday, Aug. 29, 8-10 p.m. Tickets: \$20-50. With Yaelisa, La Monica, and La Fibi. Plus Jason McGuire and Ben Woods on guitars and singers Nina Menendez and Felix La Lola from Spain. 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 510-849-2568 or www.lapena.org.

■ **Jyoti Kala Mandir** performs Indian classical dance at the Julia Morgan Center for the Arts, 2640 College Ave., Berkeley, on Sunday, Sept. 19, at 5 p.m. Indian classical dance to live music by master musicians from India. \$15 adults, \$12 children/students/seniors. Tickets available at the door.

■ **East meets west** — Modern dance company Shen Wei Dance Arts, created by Chinese choreographer Shen Wei, makes its Bay Area debut with a program that includes The Rite of Spring, an original work set to Stravinsky's famed two-piano score. Shows at 8 p.m. Sept. 25 and 7 p.m. Sept. 26 at Zellerbach Hall on the UC Berkeley campus. Tickets \$26, \$36, \$48, call 510-642-9988.

■ **Free Shakespeare in the Park** finishes its stay in Oakland's Lakeside Park this weekend with performances of Twelfth Night on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 28 and 29 at 4 p.m. Details: www.sfsakes.org or 415-865-4434.

■ **Rhythm & Muse** returns Aug. 28, with a **Pablo Neruda Centennial Open Mic**. Open mic sign-up is 6:30 p.m., reading starts at 7 p.m., Berkeley Art Center, 1275 Walnut St. 510-644-6893, 510-527-9753. Bring your favorite Neruda poems to read, or pieces inspired by Neruda. Callist Gael Alcock and pianist Nicole Milner will be improvising as well. Piano and two mics. Unless noted, Rhythm & Muse is always held on the fourth Saturday of the month. Upcoming features: Sept. 25, Ali Jones and Gilberto

Zamora. Oct. 23, John Rowe and Rita Bregman.

■ **Berkeley Repertory Theatre** opens its 2004-05 season with **The Secret in the Wings**, adapted and directed by Mary Zimmerman. Previews at Berkeley Rep begin Sept. 3, show opens Sept. 8 and closes Oct. 17. Single tickets priced between \$10 (standing room) and \$55, depending on the day of the week. Group discounts available (15 or more), as well as student and senior half-price "Rush" tickets. Berkeley Rep's Roda Theatre is at 2015 Addison St., next door to the Thrust Stage. Details or tickets: 510-647-2949 or www.berkeleyrep.org.

Learning

■ **College for working adults** — Fall 2004 enrollment for Program for Adult College Education -PACE- is open at Berkeley's Vista Community College now through Sept. 5. College alternative for adults with job and family responsibilities allows them to finish freshman and sophomore years in 2-1/2 years, then transfer to a four-year college to complete degree. Classes held six evenings a month and six Saturdays per term and include conferences, seminars, and television courses. Counseling, financial aid, and library services available to all PACE students. Marilyn Clausen at mclausen@peralta.ca.ca.us or 510-981-2864.

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■ **Freedom from Tobacco Workshop** — City of Berkeley Tobacco Prevention Program offers its new 3-Hour Quit Smoking Workshop, a smoking cessation class with the option of acupuncture (using ear points) to assist in quitting. Class meets 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Aug. 28, followed by five nights of acupuncture and a follow-up class from 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. on Sept. 11. Class is free and will be held at the Alta Bates Medical Center/Asbury Campus, at 2450 Ashby Ave., Berkeley, in the first floor Auditorium. 510-981-5330 or at quitnow@ci.berkeley.ca.us.

■ **Berkeley Adult School** offers ceramics classes from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on Tuesdays at the St. John's Senior Center, 2727 College Ave. Classes are free, materials and firing charges are not.

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Literary events

■ **California dreaming** — Premalaya Bookstore, 1713 University Ave., Berkeley, presents "Dreamtime Rituals," a public lecture by author/ritualist, Antero Alli, at 6 p.m. Sept. 12. Admission free. Alli's book "Towards an Archeology of the Soul" will be made available at the lecture (\$18). Details: 510-548-4701, www.paratheatrical.com/dreaming.html.

■ **Live readings of short fiction: Actors Reading Writers: Celebrating Writing through Live Readings.** "The Unsuitable Object of Desire," stories by Woody Allen, Robert Olen Butler and Pam Houston. Monday, Sept. 13, 7:30 p.m. at Berkeley City Club, 2315 Durant Ave. Free, open to the public.

■ **The Albany Library** presents a poetry reading by local writing instructor, counselor and poet, Janell Moon, author of several collections of poetry, including The Mouth of Home. In addition, she is the author of four spiritual non-fiction books, including Stirring the Waters: Writing to Find Your Spirit and How to Pray Without Being Religious, HarperCollins, UK. Sept. 2, 7-9 p.m., followed by a poetry open mic. Edith Stone Room, 1247 Marin Ave., Albany. Light refreshments.

Meetings/lectures

■ **A presentation and discussion of the Cerrito Creek Greenway Plan** in El Cerrito will be held Thursday, Sept. 2, from 7-9 p.m. (doors open at 6:45 p.m. for sign-in) at The Open House Senior Center, 6500 Stockton Ave. in El Cerrito. Heather Koch, City of El Cerrito, 510-215-4322 or hkoch@ci.el-cerrito.ca.us.

■ **Environmental restoration update** — The City of Berkeley Planning Department is hosting a community update on Lawrence Berkeley Lab's soil and groundwater cleanup activities at 5:30-7 p.m. on Sept. 2 at 2118 Milvia Street, first floor conference room. Dr. Iraj Javandel will present the update on the activities, which are performed under the oversight of the California Department of Toxic Substances Control. The public is welcome. www.lbl.gov/community, see "Site Environmental Restoration Program".

■ **"Cathedrals, Crop Circles and Sacred Space"** — A slide lecture by British author, Freddy Silva, 7-9 p.m., Aug. 30 at 1744 University Ave., Berkeley. Tickets \$20, \$10 for students at the door. Details: 510-845-1767.

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■ **Ancient Medicines** — Join Anastasia White, local Chinese herbalist, at the University of California Botanical Garden and discover the natural wonders from the plant medicine world in one of the most extensive Chinese herbal medicine gardens in the US. This tour includes over 100 Chinese herbs arranged according to their therapeutic categories, with an overview of the herbal categories as outlined by traditional Chinese medicine. Aug. 28, 9:30-11:30 a.m. Fee: \$17, \$12 Members, includes Garden admission. Registration required, class space is limited. UC Botanical Garden, 200 Centennial Drive, Berkeley. 510-643-2755, <http://botanicalgarden.berkeley.edu>.

■ **Careers in trade** — Workshops focusing on international trade will be offered this fall at Vista Community College. "Careers in International Trade," Sept. 11, assesses current and future job prospects in the field. "International Advertising," Sept. 25, presents an overview of the global advertising industry. Workshops run 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. and are open for enrollment until the day they begin. Register at Vista, 2020 Milvia Street, Berkeley, or via Internet at www.peralta.ca.ca.us. 510-981-2931.

Music

■ **Bush whacking** — "Sunday in the Park Without George" a concert and benefit for MoveOnPAC to benefit the Kerry/Edwards campaign will take place from 3-7 p.m. Sept. 12 at the Coventry Grove in the Berkeley Hills. Featuring music by Bonnie Raitt and Taj Mahal, young spoken word performances by semi-finalists of the San Francisco Poetry Slam, MoveOn founders Joan Blades and Wes Boyd, comedian and political satirist Will Durst, and other special guests. Admission \$1,000 per seat. RSVP: www.sundayinthepark.org.

■ **Old-time music** — The Berkeley Old-Time Music Convention will be held Sept. 24-26 at various sites throughout Berkeley. Sept. 24, 8 p.m. concert at the Freight & Salvage, 1111 Addison, with Kate Breslin & Jody Stecher. Thompson String Ticklers, and the Earl White Band. Sept. 25, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Stringband Contest at the Berkeley Farmer's Market, Center St. & Milvia, free admission. Sept. 25, 8 p.m., Square dance at Ashkenaz, 1317 San Pablo, with Foghorn Stringband, Rich Hartness & Gravel Court, and the Squirrelly Stringband. Sept. 26, 11 a.m.-2

p.m., instructional workshops on various topics at various locations. 431-0147 for details. www.berkeleyoldtimemusic.org.

■ **Festive strings** — Lark Strings come to the UC Berkeley campus for a performance of Mozart's Divertimento for strings at 3 p.m. Sept. 20. Tickets \$48, call 510-642-9988.

■ **Musical treasure** — Japan's 50th Anniversary program of new music specifically for the Tokyo temple's Shoson-in collection. Includes a performance by the Riegaugaku Orchestra, performing the Japanese Imperial court music at 3 p.m. Sept. 19 on the UC Berkeley campus. Tickets \$28, call 510-642-9988.

■ **National 2004 "Pablo Neruda Festival"** (formerly the Annual Poetry Festival) takes place Oct. 1-4 at the UC Berkeley campus. Benefits Teddy Green selected 501(c)(3) organizations. \$8 presale with online tickets available at www.berkeleyfestival.org. From noon to 10 p.m. on Oct. 1, fans can get in for a \$5 or a donation of a Teddy Green \$8 in nonperishable food.

■ **Upcoming performances** — tross Pub, 1822 San Pablo, Berkeley, Wednesday, Sept. 15 and Sept. 22. Wednesday, Sept. 22, 9:30 p.m., \$30. PickPocket ensemble (Gael Alcock and cello) Sept. 22, 9:30 p.m., \$30. www.albany.org or 510-243-2473.

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Music will be performing every Friday from 8:30-9:30 at King Tsin Chi Restaurant, 1689 Solano Ave. in Berkeley. Call 510-845-5373 or swing@jazz.com.

Outdoors
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■ **Kol Hadash,** the Bay area's only Jewish Humanistic Congregation, and Rabbi Kai Eckstein will meet at the Albany Community Center, 1249 Marin Ave., for Shabbat (Sabbath), on the fourth Friday of each month; a Family Shabbat every other month on a Saturday; holds Sunday School and Mitzvah classes two Sundays a month; celebrates all major Jewish holidays, and holds special events from time to time. The group also collects non-perishable food for the needy. E-mail: kolhadash@aol.com, call 510-428-1492, or check Web site: www.kolhadash.org for more information.

Support

■ **Teen Support Group** meets twice a month Tuesday evenings at the Women's Cancer Resource Center, 3023 Shattuck Ave. The free group is for teens who have a parent or caregiver with cancer. The meeting is co-facilitated by a teen whose mother had breast cancer. 531-7551.

■ The Ann Martin Children's Center offers eight "Support Groups For Mothers," sessions for first time mothers and babies their babies under 5 months. Experienced facilitator. 510-524-0821.

■ **Berkeley Parkinson's Support Group** meet from 10 a.m. to 12 noon Mondays at the Northbrae Community Church, 941 The Alameda @ Los Angeles. Call Irene at 510-524-4847 or Miltzi at 510-527-9075.

■ "Overeaters Anonymous" is a fellowship of men and women from all walks of life who meet in order to help solve a common problem, compulsive overeating. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop eating compulsively. One group meets on Fridays at 1:30 p.m. at the Northbrae Community Church, 941 The Alameda (at Solano) in Berkeley—downstairs—wheelchair accessible. Current information about OA and other OA meetings can be found at www.oaeastbay.org or call Katherine at 525-5231."

■ **Forty-Plus Free Introduction** and Orientation meet from 8:30-9:30 a.m. on Mondays. The organization offers a comprehensive career transition pro-

gram uniquely suited to the needs of mature managers, executives and professionals. 7700 Bridgewater Dr. Ste 626, Oakland, 510-568-7587, or www.fortyplus.org.

■ **Berkeley's Fibromyalgia Support Group** presents a free National Arthritis Awareness Month talk on "Disability Benefits and Advocacy," by Beverly Bergman from 12-2 p.m. Tuesday May 18, at Herrick Campus of Alta Bates Medical Center, 2001 Dwight Way. Bergman is an Advocate Specialist with Oakland's Mental Health Advocates. Call Deborah 510-644-3273.

■ **National Alliance for the Mentally Ill-East Bay Chapter,** sponsors a support group for families of children with mental illness. The next meetings is from 7 to 8:45 p.m. Feb. 17, at Albany United Methodist Church, 980 Stange St., in Albany. Meetings are free and offers parents and other family members a chance to talk with others. The public is invited. 510-524-1250.

■ The Berkeley Arthritis Support and Education Group meets on the second Tuesday of each month (except December) 1 to 2:30 p.m. in the Maffly Auditorium, Herrick Campus, 2001 Dwight Way. 510-204-4503.

■ **Alta Bates Support Groups - Arthritis Support Group** meets the second Tuesday of every month; 1-2:30 p.m.; 204-4503.

■ **Alta Bates Rehabilitation Center** and East Bay Neurology sponsors a free monthly **stroke support group.** No advance reservations are required, drop-in anytime. The group meets the first Tuesday of each month from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Maffly Auditorium on Herrick Campus, 2001 Dwight Way, Berkeley. Details: 204-4503.

■ **Overeaters Anonymous- Twelve-step** support groups dealing with these issues meet at 10:30 a.m. Sundays at Mandana Community Recovery Center, 3989 Howe St., Oakland (enter on 41st Street Way); 7:30 Wednesdays at Piedmont Community Church, 400 Highland (enter on Mountain, parallel to Highland); 7:30 Thursdays at Piedmont Gardens, 110 41st St.; and 6 p.m. Fridays at East Bay Church of Religious Science, 4130 Telegraph Ave. 510-923-9491.



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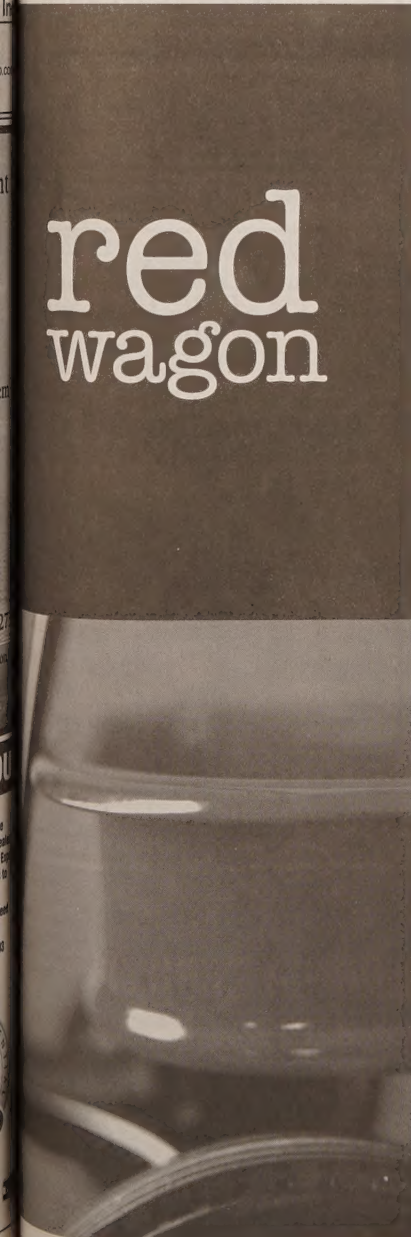
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Limits

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lower than the Albany Commons, a beige, four-story mixed-use building on San Pablo at Solano avenues that has been criticized because of its height. But the proposed building would also be 250 feet long — 100 feet longer than Albany Commons.

"Because it's pretty consistently 38 feet all way across ... it's a pretty massive building that's going to sit on this street, compared to what's there, even with Portland Gardens sitting right there," said Dowswell. "It's going to dwarf Portland Gardens."

The city has been trying to encourage larger two- and three-story mixed-use developments on San Pablo Avenue for several years.

The idea behind the buildings is to beautify San Pablo Avenue, and provide new retail that will attract pedestrians while meeting the state's housing requirements.

Six years of work by two committees resulted in zoning recommendations that encouraged mixed-use developments.

Those recommendations went before the planning and zoning commission last October and were met by protests from 130 residents on San Pablo Avenue side streets who feared increased traffic, pollution, noise and lowered property values.

With new input from residents, the planning and zoning commission hashed out recommendations that provide for lowered height limits on San Pablo Avenue and high-density residential zoning on several blocks of Kains Avenue and Adams Street, which run parallel and adjacent to San Pablo Avenue.

The question is whether the new zoning recommendations will hinder the city's efforts to en-

courage developers to build mixed-use developments on San Pablo Avenue.

"For all intents and purposes, the zoning code has been the same since the 1970s, which allowed mixed-use to occur and it was reiterated in the San Pablo Vision plan and the reality of it didn't come to pass until recently," Dowswell said. "I wouldn't say it's a coincidence but Albany's time came. And mixed-use projects became more trendy to do in urban communities."

"We didn't cause this to happen. We didn't do anything to go out and attract developers to do mixed-use projects. Some cities would go out and actively recruit. They came in and talked to us."

A report from Berkeley-based Bay Area Economics states that the new zoning could change that. Lowered height limits, high-density residential zoning and a change in the floor area ratio (how much square footage is built in relation to the parcel on which it's built) will lower the profit margins for developers, from 10 to 12 percent under the old zoning, to 1.5 percent under the new zoning.

Bay Area Economics also drafted the city's 1997 San Pablo Avenue Vision Plan, which encourages two- and three-story mixed-use developments.

The San Pablo Avenue zoning analysis makes sense, said Dowswell. The height limit issue in particular could affect the mortuary development, which includes three architectural towers — two of which are 40 feet, the other 45 feet tall — to break up the building's massive appearance.

"The architectural features are too tall and the building is two feet too tall or two feet too wide," he said.

Some residents have dismissed the report as biased and a last-minute ruse by City Administrator Beth Pollard to unravel a compromise residents and the

planning commission reached after nine months of meetings.

"When the planning commission reviewed the report, we felt there were some assumptions and some holes in it that slanted the report in a certain direction," said planning and zoning commissioner Phillip Moss.

City Councilman Allan Maris said another question is how successful the Portland Gardens and Albany Commons buildings have been economically and what their effect has been on the immediate neighborhood.

So far the buildings have attracted a total of two commercial tenants, a chiropractor and a nail salon.

If the recommendations are approved by the City Council, height limits would be lowered from 40 feet to 35 feet for buildings without a 20 percent affordable housing component. Most of the Kains/Adams blocks would be limited to high-density housing, with questions remaining about how to zone the property now occupied by the Albany Bowl.

The height limit question and Kains Avenue and Adams Street zoning may be settled Monday night, said Albany planning consultant Ed Phillips. A complex set of zoning revisions will come back as a whole for final approval by the council in the coming weeks.

The mortuary project will also be brought back in the future to the planning commission for approval.

"In some ways, the timing of the project is perfect, because we're using it to measure how this new ordinance works," said Dowswell. "It wouldn't surprise me if the ordinance goes the way it does today, that we will revisit it in the future, if not on this project then on some other project."

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UC Berkeley hall will get new

By Martin Snapp
STAFF WRITER

Next Monday, Aug. 30, College Durant Apartments, a 120-bed UC Berkeley residential hall at the corner of College and Durant, will trade in its geographically accurate but otherwise prosaic name for a much prouder one: the Ida Louise Jackson Graduate House.

Mary Ann Mason, Dean of the Graduate Division, will preside at the dedication ceremony, joined by John Cooke, president of Cal's Black Alumni Club, and members of Jackson's sorority, Alpha Kappa Alpha.

Jackson, who died in 1996 at age 93, was one of Cal's most distinguished alums. She graduated in 1922 and received her master's degree two years later. She was working toward a doctorate at Columbia, but had to abandon it because of family obligations.

She was the first African American woman to be certified to teach in California. In 1926, she became the first black teacher in Oakland. She had to wait 12 years before another African American was hired.

Although she enjoyed the academics at Cal, she felt invisible among her white classmates, who never spoke to her, and professors who rarely called on her. When she was a junior, she and five other young women founded the Rho Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha, the first black sorority on campus.

Jackson borrowed \$45 from her mother to pay for having their formal group portrait taken for the "student clubs" section of the Blue and Gold yearbook. But when the yearbooks arrived a few months later, their portrait was nowhere to be seen. The of-

IF YOU GO

- **WHAT:** Dedication of the Ida Louise Jackson Graduate House.
- **WHEN:** Monday, Aug. 30, at 11 a.m.
- **WHERE:** 2333 College Ave.

official explanation: Alpha Kappa Alpha "wasn't representative of the student body."

Jackson later served as the national president of Alpha Kappa Alpha from 1934 to 1936. About that time, she founded the Mississippi Health Project, which immunized thousands of babies against diphtheria and cholera. She later served as Dean of Women at Tuskegee Institute.

In 1971 she received the Berkeley Citation, awarded to graduates who reflect the highest ideals of the University. In 1974 she was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa and the Berkeley Fellows honorary society. She was also one of 39 distinguished alumni asked to contribute memories to "There was Light," a book commemorating the University's first century.

She always regretted not getting her doctorate. So in 1972 she donated hundreds of acres of rolling pasture and forest land in Mendocino County to the university and asked that the proceeds be used for fellowships for black students working on their dissertations.

Shortly before she died, a reporter asked her, "Do you consider yourself a woman pioneer, a black pioneer, or an education pioneer?"

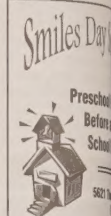
"I really haven't classified myself," she replied. "I suppose I've tried to be the best at living every day, and at seeing the best in



THE LATE Ida Louise Jackson, a 1922 UC Berkeley alumna who had a long and distinguished career as a Bay educator, will be honored with ceremonies Aug. 30. The new residential hall for graduate students will be named in her memory.

everyone, no matter what the odds are."

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Hate

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"People are just really shocked that that would happen in our neighborhood," Denis Paul said.

Twenty-four same-sex couples

from El Cerrito went to San Francisco to get married this year until the courts halted the ceremonies.

Denis Paul is studying to become a Unitarian Universalist minister and wanted to hold a nondenominational prayer service to help clear their minds of

what he considers the first time they have been violently targeted as gay men.

"We've experienced open hostility before," Denis Paul said, citing an incident in Massachusetts when a gay pride flag was taken from their house the day after they put it up.

Now the Pauls, who once shared the same first name and decided to make it their family name, fly an Italian peace flag.

And Denis Paul wants to use ministry to work with victims and criminals toward new forms of justice.

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Classroom achievement depends on involvement

By Jackie Burrell
STAFF WRITER

Parental involvement in the classroom isn't an academic nicety. It is so directly linked to student achievement that state and federal education experts use parent involvement as a barometer in judging school success. And under the No Child Left Behind Act, test scores are joined by parent involvement in qualifying for federal dollars.

The massive West Contra Costa school district, which has schools at both the top and the bottom of the academic performance index, gives a stark example of just how closely parent volunteerism ties to academic achievement.

Schools like Kensington Elementary, El Cerrito's Madera and Richmond's Valley View enjoy long traditions of community involvement and high test scores.

But parent volunteerism at some of the lower-ranking schools is nearly nonexistent, as language barriers, cultural issues and economic pressures make Parent Teacher Associations and classroom volunteers a rarity.

"It's (been) the hills versus the flatlands," said Kensington parent Charley Cowens, who hopes to change that trend as president of the Bayside Council of PTAs.

"The culture of learning needs to have a lot of support, real engagement," said West Contra Costa schools trustee Patricia Player. "Everything I read shows (where) schools do well, parents are involved. (But) there are schools where parents don't feel welcomed or their lives are so pressured. Sometimes parents don't feel respected enough. We need to turn that around."

On a hot August Saturday, an arid wind blows debris down deserted streets in Richmond's Iron Triangle. Down at the end of a dead-end street, newly refurbished Verde Elementary glows like a beacon. Curious schoolchildren venture out, eager for a peek.

This school represents the future to Verde father Steven Fox, president of the school's fledgling PTA.

"Everybody considers (North Richmond) a little hole in the ground, and that's not right," he said.

At age 30, Fox is one of the elder statesmen in the Verde community. Most of the parents are 17 to 20 years old, barely grown themselves. Some see the school as child care, said Fox.

"Luckily, I have good, dedicated people that want to strive. Most of the parents down there are very young, (but) we want to make this better, and we can't rely on the state," said Fox, a father of five who also serves on Verde's school site council. "I voice my opinion when something's not right, (but) a lot of parents feel they're not heard."



NEW KINDERGARTEN student Natalia Enriquez, 4, is welcomed to El Cerrito's Madera School by PTA member Rula Adranly, left, on the first day of classes in the West Contra Costa School District. Natalia's mom, Maria Garcia, and brother Eduardo Enriquez, 8, accompany her. Madera benefits from a high rate of parent involvement.

The school's last PTA effort ended disastrously, when several thousand dollars in hard-earned cash disappeared at school. So many parents were on welfare that no one had been willing to open a PTA bank account, fearing it could affect their state aid, said Fox. When the cash disappeared, rumors ran rampant about who took it.

"It was very discouraging for all the parents at Verde. It was very hard getting everyone's trust," said Fox. "But the state PTA forgave us on the debt. It was a big deal for us. By the end of (last) year, we had a really good bond between African-Americans, Caucasians and Hispanics. For us to work together in that community, that was great."

Fox believes the PTA will help not just Verde's children but the whole community. He is not alone.

"Our fundamental philosophy is that we're in this to support all children. A rising tide raises all ships," said Hilma Jones, a Lafayette parent who serves on California PTA's 32nd District board, which oversees Contra Costa County's 40,000 PTA members.

Kensington Elementary's PTA sees itself as "an intermediary between parents and administrators, including the school board, to address issues of concern." That intermediary role is typical of PTAs, said Jones.

It's not always welcome, though, said Cowens.

"The perception is that administrators are not that into parent involvement, unless you've got a grant," Cowens said wryly.

District spokesman Paul Ehara said increased parent involvement has been a priority for the past three years, ever since the state's fiscal crisis and management assistance team delivered its thick sheaf of recommendations.

One of the goals has been to increase the involvement of immigrant families and African-American parents.

At Kennedy High School, a new African-American Parent Task Force was launched last year by parents and assistant principal Hattie Smith. The task force meets monthly to share concerns and suggestions with administrators.

Portola Middle School struggles with language barriers. It supplies an interpreter at school site council meetings in a bid to boost parental involvement. Verde Elementary has tinkered with its meeting times, trying to make volunteerism easier for its working parents, but it's still a struggle.

"Most are single mothers. They have to get their kids dressed and fed. They don't have time to come (to a meeting) for two hours," said Fox.

More outreach could be done. Just six of the district's 50-plus schools have Web sites with PTA links and volunteer invitations. Information and meeting dates are hard to come by. And parents who want to volunteer must first pay for, as well as pass, a tuberculosis test.

The cost and the process are all barriers to volunteerism, especially among immigrant parents, who "don't feel as knowledgeable about the culture," said

Player.

Player wants to streamline the process by making TB testing and volunteer photos an option during registration day.

PTA and classroom volunteer work are not the only options for parent involvement. Chavez and Dover elementary schools attempt to include parents who work for the district as teachers or aides in their "parent involvement" tallies, stretching the definition.

But one aspect of parent volunteerism is mandated by law. Schools that receive school improvement program, or SIP, funds — basically, all schools — must have school site councils. These 10-member, parent-faculty groups determine how tens of thousands of discretionary dollars is spent, and which curriculum areas should be targeted.

A school like high-achieving Madera has little trouble filling its roster. Others are not so fortunate. Four schools had vacancies on their councils, and 20 percent of the schools did not turn in paperwork last year identifying council members.

"As a parent, (site council) lets me have a say in what's happening, but finding parents to serve is very difficult," said Portola Middle School parent Janet Abelson. "They work during the day."

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Class

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that seniors no longer have a priority over others to get their schedules changed and that three "really good" teachers just left.

Anything good about the first day?

"Seeing my friends," she said. "Being a senior," added David Weary.

Weary and Moncrease were near the entrance to the counseling office, where two counselors were seeing students one-by-one to change their schedules.

About 60 students, some with their parents, waited in the hall after school to get their classes changed.

"They were even thinking about cutting counselors when they have only two," said 16-year-old Sofia Opeyany. "It's always like this every year."

Sofia's mother said they had been there for an hour and expected to be there for another two hours before they could see a counselor.

El Cerrito City Councilwoman Janet Abelson was also in line with her daughter Sarah Abelson.

"I've had four kids come

Tower

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Smith-Heimer. "My feeling is why take the risk with our children?"

In addition, the health effects of electromagnetic radiation can be cumulative, contended Frank Cebulski, saying there's no need to add to it.

Smith-Heimer added that the studies provided for the district were created by a consultant to the cell phone company.

"The problem is again like buying a car from a used salesman and the dealer says 'I have an independent mechanic who will verify everything I said,'" Smith-Heimer said. "As a good consumer, I cannot take that on faith. I have to do independent research. Because AT&T will gain from this."

Former school board member Jim Lindsay disagreed with opponents about the potential dangers of the antenna but did agree that the issue needs more study.

"If I was on the board right now, as I said on the e-mail list, knowing just what I know now, I'd vote against it," Lindsay said. "Some people are so hyped up about it, so worried about it, it's not worth the money. I don't think it's a dangerous problem. I want to do more research, find out what the experts are saying."

If approved by the school board, the plan would still need approval from the Albany planning and zoning commission, said associate planner Billy Gross. There are six cell phone antennas in Albany, he said, including a device at St. Mary's High School.

The plan would provide \$2,167 per month for the district, according to a school district staff report.

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and-10-foot ceilings almost something hanging to fill the space," says Joe Rey-Barreau, a consultant for the American Lighting Association (ALA) and a professor of interior design at the University of Kentucky. The nonprofit organization dedicates to expanding public knowledge about lighting in the United States and Canada.

Chandeliers create drama in the home. Teeny ones provide light to powder rooms. Even walk-in closets go upscale when lit with a small chandelier.

Hand laundry rooms and even any room is an open target for a chandelier," adds

Colorful chandeliers create drama in the kitchen. Teeny ones provide elegance to powder rooms. Even walk-in closets go upscale when lit with a small chandelier.

Rey-Barreau. "More commonly, kitchens and bathrooms have become the popular locations for chandeliers."

Chandeliers add twinkle to a boudoir. "People are treating their bedroom suites as more luxurious personal spaces with elaborate bathroom areas, so it is not unreasonable to consider chandeliers there, either," says Dan Blitzer, director of education for the ALA.

"Chandeliers, or mini chandeliers, add a new sense of intimacy to small rooms and to corner spaces and alcoves of larger ones. 'Minis are even being used as wall scones in some instances — and they look fantastic,'" says lighting and furniture designer Sergio Orozco, whose offices are in New York City.

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and adding income to your portfolio. If you are looking for a simple and systematic approach to investing in them, you might want to think about using a laddering strategy. Talk to your financial consultant about risks associated with investing in bonds and see if they might be a good addition to your investment mix.

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Tips

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■ Don't hover over buyers. Be available for questions.

Advice varies from starting your cash box with \$40 to \$100 in small change, depending on how much you're selling.

■ Carry your cash in a fanny pack or apron or have a locked cash box that is always attended. Advice varies from starting your cash box with \$40 to \$100 in small change, depending on how much you're selling.

■ When making change, keep the bill you're handed out until you make the change so the person can't say he or she gave you a \$20 when it was only a \$10.

■ Price things in easy denominations — 25 cents instead of 19 cents.

■ If you have items with small pieces, put them in a sealed plastic bag and mark the price on the bag.

■ If you have larger, more valuable items to sell, Wells suggests not trying to sell them at a garage sale, but through a classified ad instead.

"In a garage sale, you don't have a lot of time to spend with a customer on a big item, like a piano," he said. While you're taking time to talk to customers about that piano, you may be missing a bunch of other potential sales, he said.

Hints

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check the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission's Web site, www.cpsc.gov/ for recalled items.

■ When buying something that uses a battery, open the compartment to make sure it's not corroded. Also, test it to see if it works.

■ When buying CDs or videotapes, open the case to make sure the right item is inside.

■ If you see an item you may be interested in, pick it up and carry it around with you as you decide, or you may lose it to someone else.

■ Don't be afraid not to buy something at a yard sale.

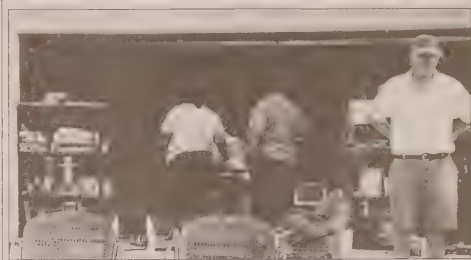
■ If you see an item you'd like and the seller is not willing to negotiate down, write down your name and number and asked to be called if it's still around at the end of the day and if the person is willing to come down in price.

Garage

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mind the lowest price they're willing to sell an item for — but don't volunteer it to buyers.

Buyers are "always going to grind you and expect you to discount," said Wells. "That price you put out there ... is your recommended retail price."



It's important to prepare the merchandise. You don't just throw it out there. It needs to be cleaned and polished. All that takes time.

Said Heiska: "I might mark (an item) \$9, but I'd be willing to take \$5. If someone pays \$7, that's great, but \$5 is fine, too."

Heiska said when she's the buyer she sometimes negotiates, but also knows what's reasonable and is willing to pay the sticker price if it's good. Wells said buyers should always try to negotiate. What do you have to lose, he asks.

Heiska said when negotiating, get the other person to name their price first.

"It doesn't matter if you're the buyer or the seller. The goal is to get them to name their price first," she said.

For instance, if an item is \$10, Heiska says you should ask if they'll take less for it, but don't say something like \$8 if that's what you're willing to spend since maybe the seller will come down further than that.

Sometimes you can also say "Well, I have \$6, will you take \$6?" she said.

But then don't pull out a \$10 bill and ask for change. Bring small bills and lots of change if you're going shopping.

Heiska said some buyers don't like negotiating, but they can also keep in mind that most sellers probably also aren't too versed in negotiating prices either.

But negotiate within reason, she said. She recommends negotiating 25 percent below the asking price.

"I wouldn't negotiate a \$5 item down to \$1," she said. "I would offer \$3."

Most garage-sale transactions are cash. Heiska and Wells said taking a check is risky because the check may bounce after the person leaves with your belongings.

If you're the buyer purchasing a big item that you can't take with you, both experts advise getting the seller to write you a receipt.

But Heiska had what I thought was an ingenious tip if you're worried about the person taking your cash and then selling the item to

the next person who comes by and offers more money before you're able to return: "Take a piece of it with you."

That way, if you've got the drawer to the five-drawer dresser, who's going to want to buy it?

If you're thinking about holding a garage sale, you need to plan in advance for it, said Wells.

"It's important to prepare the merchandise. You don't just throw it out there. It needs to be cleaned and polished. All that takes time," said Wells.

Heiska said presentation is important because people don't want to rummage through your old boxes that are full of cobwebs.

But Heiska also said to use common sense.

"Don't spend two hours polishing something that you'll ask 50 cents for," she said.

There's also an unwritten rule that people don't want to buy all of your junk.

"If it's ready to be picked up by the trash collectors, leave it for the trash collectors," said Wells.

Among items that usually sell well at garage sales: in-style clothes, baby and kids items, household items and tools.

Whether you're having the garage sale or shopping, Wells said, the most important thing is to have fun. And find some great deals.

LOOKING FOR A YARD SALE? SEE HILLS CLASSIFIEDS.

Taking a look around the East Bay real estate community

and information for and the area real estate community.

THE PUBLIC

Learn disaster preparedness from the American Red Cross. The Inform, sponsored by the Alameda Association of Realtors, is a free seminar held at the next meeting begins at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 14, at the Alameda Community Center in Alameda. The Inform is dedicated to helping realtors stay informed about the real estate market, the economy and issues that affect the industry. The public is always welcome at the Inform Meeting. For more information, contact the Alameda Association of Realtors at 510-521-1247.

Exchange

The capital gain tax prevention seminar is an investment in your future. Learn about the 1031 Exchange process. Attend "Preserve Wealth," a free seminar held at the Inform and hosted by Team Alameda. For more information, call 510-865-4192 x304.

Transitions

Age brings many changes such as moving from one home to another or to a senior living community. Many questions arise in real estate transactions and how to handle them. Attend the "Senior's Guide to Financial And Home" seminar. For the date of the next seminar, call 510-638-1247.

Reverse

Reverse mortgage find themselves cash, while rich in equity. Making that equity available could mean increasing income. Learn about the reverse mortgage and other finan-

cial products available for senior citizens at the "Reverse Mortgage for Retirees" class. Anzella Jones of First Security Loan is the instructor. Ask about the date for the next class at (510) 614-2440.

Meyers Mansion

Step back in time, at The Meyers House & Garden, an 1897 treasure. It was designed by Henry H. Meyers in the Colonial Revival style, a period that was popular in Alameda at the turn of the century. The Meyers family maintained possession of the home for almost one hundred years. This home has become Alameda's first and only house museum. Visit the house on the fourth Saturday of the month, 1 to 4 p.m., call for House Tour costs and information at 510-521-1247. Meyers House is available for small receptions and weddings, check openings and costs at 510-748-4565.

Remodel Classes

If you're handy around the house or want to learn how, the Building Education Center in Berkeley is the place for you. BEC provides ongoing classes, lectures and events for the experienced and those new to remodeling and renovation. There are evening classes on weekdays and daytime classes on the weekends. Topics cover power tools, concrete work, retrofitting, plumbing, interior design, carpentry and solar electricity, to name only a few. You can call the center for class information and



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SCHEDULING

Mark those calendars for three upcoming events for the real estate community.

■ Realtor Safety Week is Sept. 12 to 18. Check your association for planned events.

■ The California Realtor Expo is scheduled Oct. 5 to 7, in Santa Clara. Visit [www.realtorexpo.org](http://MACROBUTTON Html-ResAnchor www.realtorexpo.org) to register.

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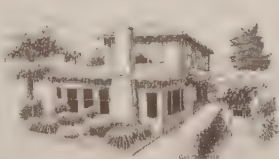
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Uncover your 'closet' personality

■ Organization strategies to suit your style

HOME DEPOT

A look inside your household closets can provide a glimpse of your true "inner self." From the volume and selection of stored contents to how they're organized, your closets are a kaleidoscope of your "unedited" self.

Regardless of how you store, stack or stockpile your personal belongings, if getting organized is on your to-do list, first ask yourself a simple question: What's your primary reason for not purging or organizing the contents of your closets? Here are some typical responses:

- No time — takes too much time to get organized
- Functional — no need to rearrange it because it works for me
- Pack rat — items have sentimental value
- Not me — I don't have excess inventory and I'm already organized

According to Vince Wood of AdvisorTeam.com, an online personality assessment firm, your an-

swer likely reflects one of four personality types described in the "Temperament Theory," a principle applied by psychologists for more than 50 years.

Whatever your individual profile, Home Depot experts offer an organization solution to help even the most complex personalities get their closets in tip-top shape. Answer the question above to determine your personality type and read on to find the solution.

The artisan

Those who answer "A" have a tendency to be artisans — the least organized by conventional standards. "Artisans tend to be very independent. They have their own style and actually know where everything is," Wood ex-

plains. "If you organize their messy desks, they'll have trouble finding things."

The key to creating a successful closet for the artisan is to keep it simple. Mike Mullinax, a Home Depot's buyer for storage and organization systems, suggests a Mill's Pride (shoe stacker for organizing footwear), since it gives them increased storage capacity without the structure of a shoe caddy. Other organization products Mullinax recommends for the artisan include a ClosetMaid (ventilated shelving system accented with a series of sliding wire baskets and stackable storage boxes).

The rational

Someone who falls into the rational personality portrait is very practical and will tend to answer "B." These personality types will wear clothes and shoes as long as they're still functional. Rationals are focused on problem solving and are interested in finding the most efficient solutions possible. Since Rationals are very goal-oriented and pride themselves on their ingenuity, they like to have control over designing their own closets.

To appeal to a rational's practical nature, Mullinax recommends a closet starter kit from Mill's Pride, which includes five hanging bars and an interior solid shelf, and can be personalized with



drawers, cabinet doors and additional shelves.

"Labor accounts for much of the cost associated with a customized closet," said Mullinax. "Home Depot offers all of the materials to create the same look at a fraction of the cost. And, most systems only require a basic skill level to assemble and install."

A well-planned system can even take the place of certain furniture items, such as a dresser or armoire, leaving more usable space in the bedroom, he says.

The idealist

If you're not ashamed to call yourself a "pack rat" who saves items for their sentimental value versus their functionality, then you may have an Idealist personality. Idealists yearn for romance and are not terribly organized by default, but they are on a constant



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The adventures of first-time home buyers

Choosing a home can be a nerve-wracking experience. Jeff Bennett, a real estate agent, says he and his wife, Kim, spent three months looking for a home. They finally found one in the Berkeley Hills. Bennett says he and his wife were looking for a home that was in a good location, had a good school district, and was in a good neighborhood. They found a home that met all their criteria. Bennett says he and his wife were very happy with their choice. They moved into their new home and are enjoying it very much.

piece of Oak Park and Berkley. We later dropped Berkley because it was too family-focused. Royal Oak never made our cut because we thought the prices were too expensive for the ages, styles and floor plans of the homes there.

Pick a real estate agent.

The mere mention of the words "we are looking for a home" will generate a hailstorm of cards from and recommendations for real estate agents. If you're stuck, ask a coworker or friend for some ideas. Out of all the suggestions, the decision came down between a family friend, Plymouth builder Walter Menard, and Kim's brother Kirk, who had just received his real estate license and was working for Island Realty in Grosse Isle. We decided on Kirk, but it wasn't because of his family ties. He was the one who could devote the most time and attention to our needs. If you are serious about finding a place, you need an agent who, first, can match your pace and, second, knows the area you're selected for your search.

It was the end of March when we started our house hunt. Our goal was to be in a house by the end of June so we could escape renewing our yearlong apartment leases.

As we discovered, Sunday is the big open house day across metro Detroit. But open houses usually run only from 1 to 4 p.m., and many houses you may want to see — especially the latest ones to hit the market — require prospective buyers to make appointments. The real estate agent must handle that chore and must be with you at every house you enter.

The size of your selection pool depends on how many houses your agent can get you into. At the height of our house hunt madness, Kirk managed to get us inside six houses in 90 minutes one night. But that is just the beginning of the Realtor's role. He or she also handles making the offer, which involves completing all the paperwork. Each offer requires forms that must be signed in triplicate. The copies go to you, your real estate company and the seller. Our agent had to prepare at least 35 pages of documents for each offer. We ended up making three offers.

The clock is always running and others are out there shopping. Any delay could cost you your chance

at your dream home. Real estate agents representing buyer and seller split the average 6 percent commission they make on the deal, so we had no hesitation about calling Kirk four to five times a day and peppering him with questions.

Find a mortgage lender.

Before starting our hunt we needed to know what we could afford. Like real estate agents, there are plenty of home mortgage lenders out there.

You have to shop around and find someone you can trust. That means going on a few office visits, asking a lot of questions and comparing what the lenders will do for you.

We chose Mark Savitskie of Argent Home Loans in Plymouth. He met with us near our jobs and answered all our questions.

During the loan process you'll get a financial snapshot via a credit check that reviews your financial history for debt and how much credit you use. The higher your score, the better your chance of getting a lower-interest loan.

You will be asked one of the most difficult questions at this point: What type of loan do you want? There are 30-year fixed rate loans and the 15-, 5- and 3-year adjustable rate mortgages.

Adjustable rate mortgage loans can offer lower starting interest rates than fixed-rate loans. That translates into immediate savings on interest costs. You lock in the rate, for instance, for five years. After that, however, the rate can increase or decrease depending on where current interest rates stand.

We chose to go with a five-year ARM because we aren't planning on being in our home for 30 years.

You must decide how much money you can put down, too. All loans are structured to allow you to invest a down payment of any amount.

But if possible, try to put down 20 percent, even if it means borrowing from family or friends like we did. Anything less than 20 percent and you may end up paying private mortgage insurance (PMI). This insurance protects the lender against any loss arising from the borrowers' default on the loan. Paying PMI, however, is just an extra cost and does nothing to lower your mortgage.

Set your requirements.

With our background work com-

plete, we could finally begin our hunt. We decided to start by using a Sunday to visit 10 open houses. The visits helped us form a list of things we wanted in a house. This list, like choosing an area, is crucial, because your agent uses your requirements to cull through new properties that appear on the market. The more requirements you provide, such as that the house must have central air or it must not face a busy street, the less time is wasted.

We wanted a house between 1,300 and 1,600 square feet. The size meant we would get a house that was big but not too big, because we like to spend our weekends camping and golfing rather than cleaning and doing yard work.

We wanted three bedrooms and at least two bathrooms, one of which would have to be on the second level. This requirement would prove a pivotal point in our house hunt because most houses in the area we were searching have only one bathroom. Because Kim loves to cook, we needed a place with a good kitchen and a separate area for eating. We were willing to compromise on this requirement, but not much. Also, we wanted a garage where we could fit at least one of our cars, if not both.

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Florida fun is the National Association of Realtors theme for 2004. The Realtors Conference & Expo, "Take It To A New Level" is Nov. 5 to 8, in Orlando. Go to MACROBUTTON HtmlResAnchor www.Realtor.org/Conference.

GREAT AMERICA

The Bay East Association of Realtors is sponsoring the SF Bay Area Realtor Associations Picnic & Day at PGA, tomorrow. All members from any association can participate in the Great America fun. Besides all the rides, and a meal, discounted tickets and parking are offered. Contact Susan at (925) 730-4077.

ZOO STARS

Save these dates. Sept. 24 is date for the Oakland Association of Realtors' "Music Under The Stars" night, at the Chabot Space and Science Center. Pet the baby animals when you attend OAR's "A Day At The Zoo." This 4th Annual Realtor Appreciation event is Sept. 29. Get information by calling 510-836-3000.

BAR THANKS

The Berkeley Association of Realtors wants to recognize Realtor and Affiliate members who volunteer and give back to the community. Association members who are

making a difference can be nominated by contacting the BAR office. The Special Events Committee will judge the BAR Cares Awards. Presentations will be made at monthly presentation luncheons. Mail your nomination to BAR at 1553 Martin Luther King Way, Berkeley 94709.

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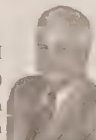
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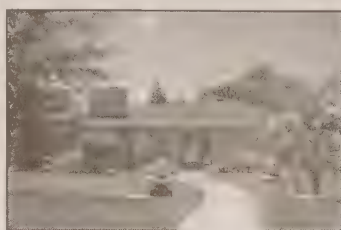


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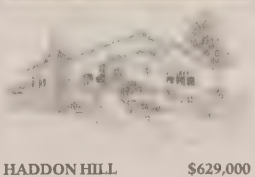


PIEDMONT \$679,000
1106 OAKLAND AVE. (Open 2-4:30)
Lovely 3BR/1.5 BA traditional home. Wonderful terraced garden & hardwood floors. Bob & Carolyn Nelson x1345



MONTCLAIR \$639,000
1720 ALHAMBRA LN. (Open 2-4:30)
New listing! Contemporary 3BR/2.5BA home on oversized lot in a private cul-de-sac setting. Formal dining room, 2 decks, master w/ spa & sauna. Chuck Corwin x1353

Open Sunday



HADDON HILL \$629,000
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Lovingly-maintained 1924 Craftsman 3BR/2BA. Level large yard/garden. Newly refinished hardwood floors! Elegant formal dining & living rooms. Jennie A. Flanigan x1354

PIEDMONT \$625,000
8 PARKSIDE DR. (Open 2-4:30)
New listing! Delightful home on cul-de-sac. Cathedral ceilings in living room and master bedroom. Freshly landscaped front garden. Fabulous kitchen with great appliances and granite counters. Debi Fitzgerald x1306

LAKE MERRITT \$449,000
1830 LAKESHORE #404 (Open 2-4:30)
Just listed! Superb 2BR/2BA condo - Manhattan chic, granite island, travertine bath, master suite, balcony overlooking park and lake, gas fireplace. A true showplace! Joanna Gould x1346



EASTLAKE \$349,000
2018 11TH AVE. (Open 2-4:30)
This darling 2BR/1.5BA 1910 wood Craftsman bungalow features formal dining room, working fireplace, eat-in kitchen. Cindy Houts x1364

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Spacious 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Private patio, deck, fireplace, in-unit laundry, one-car garage. Lorri Arazi x1330



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17044 BROADWAY TERR. (Open 2-4:30)
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By Appointment

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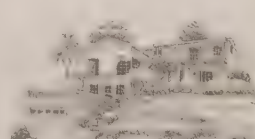
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HILLER HIGHLANDS \$1,495,000
This 5BR, 4BA has sensational panoramic views of San Francisco and the Bay from this fabulous all level sun drenched home. Dee Knowland x1318



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This 3BR/3BA home provides elegant, large rooms, easy indoor, outdoor living, lovely views, & lots of storage. Debi Fitzgerald x1306



ROCKRIDGE \$995,000
Charming Bay View 3+BR/2BA near BART. Large family room w/level out patio, separate dining & breakfast rooms, view balcony off master. Leslie Avant x1341

ADAMS POINT \$329,000
Spacious light filled 2BR/2BA condo. Stylishly updated throughout. Nice patio off living room, pool, many extras, convenient to BART & commute. Leslie Avant x1341

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<p>\$5,785,000 5+ ba spectacular French chateau. Beautifully restored, bay masterpiece 510.339.4700</p> 	<p>\$499,000 2 BR 1 BA Spacious 2/1 Fernside Bungalow on lg. corner lot. Hardwood floors, built-ins & updated kit Bonnie Ross & Preston Grant 510.339.4700</p> 	<p>\$1,540,000 Sun 2 - 4:30 Claremont 49 Vicente Pl 5 BR 4.5 BA Mediterranean Villa. Great location! Bay views! 2yrs. new, formal LR/DR, Family room. Ellen Lancaster 510.339.4700</p> 	<p>\$720,000 Sun 2 - 4:30 Rockridge 150 Florence Ave. 3 BR 2 BA Delightful mid-century w/n Bay vu, all level living. Hwd flrs, frpl, lengthy rear patio. Nancy Dickey 510.339.4700</p> 	<p>\$335,000 Sun 2 - 4:30 Richmond North East 566 24th St. 3 BR 2 BA New kitchen, partially updated baths. New landscaping lovely! Barbara Hardacre 510.339.4700</p> 
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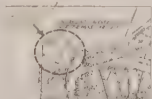
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August 29th 1-5pm

This charming Kensington traditional is in a quiet, tranquil street. The main floor features a formal living room with fireplace, formal dining and a wonderful kitchen. An inviting garden through French doors off the living room complement this house.



6 Kingston Road, Kensington
Offered at \$639,000



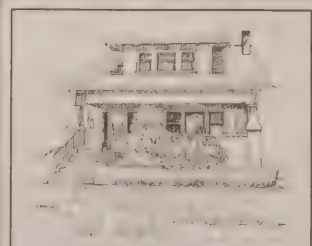
Upstairs are 2 bedrooms and a full bath. Includes a bonus room, laundry, and excellent storage. Very near to the Arlington Shops.

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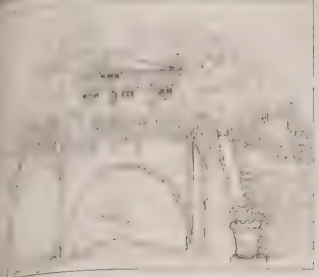


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Hunt for the right house.

For any project you need a good set of tools. For us it was an e-mail account, a three-ring binder, a notepad and a highlighter. At the start of the week, Kirk would send a list of houses to our e-mail account.

Most had pictures and the technical information. After viewing the houses, we told Kirk which ones we liked and wanted to see. I would then print out the selections and put them in the three-ring binder.

The binder became our shopping blueprint so we could move from one house to the next. Con-

sidering that you could see up to a half-dozen houses in one day, it is helpful to take a few notes while touring each home.

We helped in the house-hunting process by driving by homes that were up for sale. We jotted down the addresses and telephone numbers of the real estate companies. We fed this information to Kirk and he would set up appointments.

The trick to efficient house hunting is to control the process. You have to make the decision whether you want to see a home or how long you want to tour one.

The real estate agent can offer suggestions or point out different considerations, such as water damage on the basement wall, but you

are in charge.

After a few weeks you will become pros at house hunting and know within the first 10 minutes whether the home you entered might be right for you. If it's not, don't spend a lot of time there. Eliminate it and move on.

Narrow the choices.

After five intense weeks of searching, narrowed the field to two houses — one we had walked through three times and another we walked through once.

The first house was in an excellent location, an important consideration because we knew that in about five years we will be selling it again. Buying a house is as much a business decision as an emo-

tional one.

The only drawbacks were the small master bedroom and an odd little feeling in both our stomachs that the house is great but it may not be us.

The other house's only drawback, we were told, was that the property was too close to 8 Mile and that location might hurt our chances of getting a quick sale when it came time to resell the

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1823 Highland Place (off Hearst), Berkeley

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Bill & Tracy 524-9888 x33 \$535,000



1461 Acton Crescent

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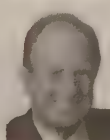
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First Time

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We weren't willing to accept assessment on its face, so we went to the police station and inquired about crime in that area. The information is public and the police were helpful. And we noted that

people were not only investing, but two properties on the end of the street had just-built, new homes.

Make the decision

The second house was the winner. We had made an offer of \$215,000 on the first property about a month before we toured the second home. Initially, that owner did

not want to come down from the asking price of \$230,000, but later said she would come down some if we could increase our bid. We told her we would think about it that weekend, then we decided to look at a few more houses.

It was then we walked into the second property and right away Kim and I knew this was the home for us.

We talked about it Sunday night and decided that we should go with the first property. It was a sure thing when it came time to resell.

Then, at 4 a.m. Kim called and said she had had a change of heart. She liked the second house, as did I. We agreed that although a house is a business investment, too, it's a place where you are going to live, and the emotions drawing you to a

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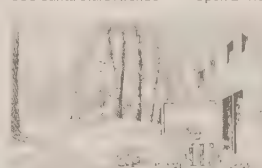
BERKELEY \$845,000
3+1/2 - Fusion Craftsman! Beautiful brown shingle, detached "tea room" with skylights, Ofuro soaking tub, formal dining room. Near Solano and the Gourmet Ghetto.
1923 Yolo Avenue Open 2-5



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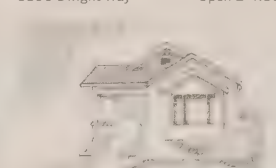
BERKELEY \$549,000
3/2 - Large house in central location with hardwood floors, two attached garages. Very large semi-developed space below. More at www.charliecookproperties.com.
2501 Mabel Street Open 2-4:30



EL CERRITO \$389,000
2/1.5 - Stunning, spacious Mira Vista Townhome overlooks canyon with many trails, rear patio on golf course. Large 2-car garage, storage, pool. New carpet and paint.
907 Vista Heights Road Open 2-4



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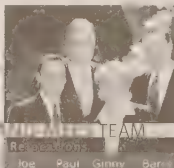
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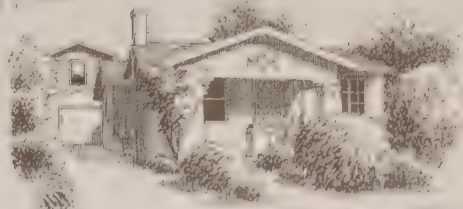
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LAFAYETTE \$989,000



INCREDIBLE ESTATE PROPERTY. Beautiful 3.4+/- acre estate with panoramic views, 3bd/2ba, walls of glass, pool, spa, patio, gorgeous grounds and open floor plan. Custom built. Private setting.

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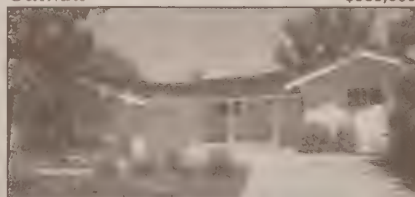
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WALNUT CREEK \$2,100,000



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 3001 Capp St - \$350,000
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 42 Carlsbrook Ln - \$520,000
 87 Chadbourne Wy - \$725,000
 3118 Champion St - \$412,000
 1573 Chandler St - \$405,000
 6026 Colby St - \$890,000
 6942 Colton Bl - \$935,000
 2861 Coolidge Av - \$380,000
 5409 Crittenden St - \$305,000
 4128 Culver St - \$435,000
 5124 Desmond St - \$651,000
 2125 East 23rd St - \$260,000
 1200 East 28th St - \$435,000
 9653 East St - \$312,000
 6905 Elverton - \$1,228,000
 9131 Empire Rd - \$253,000

1120 Everett Av - \$602,000
 1134 Foothill Bl - \$487,000
 6034 Foothill Bl - \$305,500
 525 Forest St - \$752,000
 2875 Glascock 112 - \$445,000
 3926 Greenwood - \$660,000
 3396 Guido St - \$643,000
 1436 Hampel St - \$687,000
 3812 Harbor View - \$550,000
 4087 Harding Wy - \$685,000
 3115 Harrison St - \$450,000
 3115 Herriott Av - \$418,000
 3101 Holyrood - \$805,000
 3907 Huntington St - \$360,000
 4057 Huntington St - \$315,000
 10322 Knight St - \$300,000
 7330 Krause Av - \$338,000
 4814 Lawton Av - \$510,000
 6932 Lockwood St - \$435,000
 6020 MacArthur Bl - \$462,500
 6106 MacArthur Bl - \$369,500
 3546 Mangels Av - \$260,000
 2315 Maywood Av - \$280,000
 3708 Midvale Av - \$474,000

4120 Montgomery - \$715,000
 5721 Morse Dr - \$420,000
 8717 Mountain Rd - \$234,000
 744 Mountain Rd - \$895,000
 3615 Nevil St - \$260,000
 4438 Norton Av - \$680,000
 311 Oak St 515 - \$512,500
 311 Oak St 806 - \$389,000
 311 Oak St 811 - \$382,000
 567 Oakland Av - \$195,500
 2658 Parker Av - \$350,000
 155 Pearl St 207 - \$205,000
 150 Pearl St 314 - \$142,000
 6552 Pine Needle - \$740,000
 2005 Plint. Valley - \$275,000
 3723 Redding St - \$410,000
 3927 Reinhardt Dr - \$633,000
 3318 Revere Av - \$560,000
 2189 Rosedale Av - \$360,000
 3020 Roxbury Av - \$575,000
 178 Santa Clara Av - \$700,000
 672 Santa Ray Av - \$793,000
 7253 Sayre Dr - \$605,000
 2933 Seminary Av - \$360,000

8673 Seneca St - \$490,000
 5153 Shafter Av - \$745,000
 5828 Shattuck Av - \$500,000
 1071 Siler Pl - \$875,000
 4926 Stoneridge - \$710,000
 6585 Swainland - \$2,258,000
 4811 Telegraph 207 - \$434,000
 4811 Telegraph 507 - \$532,500
 97 Templar Pl - \$693,000
 4357 Terrabella Wy - \$705,000
 8622 Thermal St - \$405,000
 5 Treasure Hill - \$735,000
 2221 Vicksburg - \$240,000
 9904 Walnut St - \$228,000
 4 W. Em'cadero 135 - \$275,000
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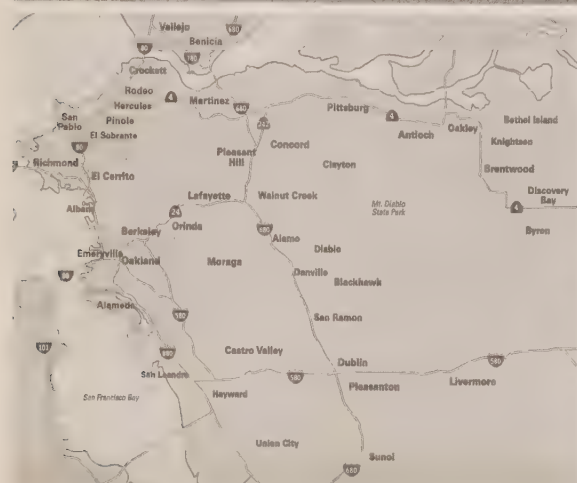
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\$265,000	336 Cypress	4+BD/3BA Sun 2-4:30 Bayside Real Estate
\$349,000	1321 Webster D114	2BD/2BA Sun 2-4 Harbor Bay Realty
\$365,000	325 Kitty Hawk Rd #208	2BD/1BA Sun 2-4 Gallagher & Lindsey
\$372,500	965 Shorepoint #208	2BD/2BA Harbor Bay Realty
\$389,950	2137 Otis Dr #214	2BD/2BA Sun 2-4 Alameda Realty
\$430,000	2990 Via Bahia	2BD/1 1/2BA Open Sunday 2-4:30pm Realty World Neighbors
\$439,000	3234 Adams St.	2BD/1BA Sun 2-4 Harbor Bay Realty
\$442,000	3306 Fir Ave	2BD/2BA Sat & Sun 1-4:30 Harbor Bay Realty
\$459,000	3023 Flora Vista	3BD/1BA Sun 2-4:30 Bayside Real Estate
\$475,000	1626 9th St	2BD/1BA Sun 2-4 Harbor Bay Realty
\$479,000	101 Chinaberry Lane	2BD/2BA Sat & Sun 2-4 Harbor Bay Realty
\$479,500	1037 Mound St	3BD/1.5BA Sat & Sun 2-4 Gallagher & Lindsey
\$499,950	161 Centre Court	1+BD/1BA Sun 2-5 Harbor Bay
\$509,888	2509 Otis	2BD/1BA Sun 2-4 Harbor Bay Realty
\$519,000	1626 Ninth Street A	3BD Sun 2-4 Realty World Martino Associates
\$539,000	1118 Fontana	3BD/2.5BA Sat & Sun 2-4 Harbor Bay Realty
\$565,000	1028 Trellis Lane	3BD/2.5BA Sat & Sun 2-4 Harbor Bay Realty
\$568,000	617 Haight Ave	3BD/1.5BA Sat & Sun 2-4 Harbor Bay Realty
\$569,000	1508 Santa Clara	3BD/1.5BA Sat & Sun 2-4 Harbor Bay Realty
\$585,000	202 Harbor Road	2BD Sat, Sun 2-5 Windermere Real Estate

Alameda		
\$585,000	2438 Otis Dr.	2+BD/1+BA Sat & Sun 2-4 Gallagher & Lindsey
\$595,000	2828 Windsor Dr	2BD/1BA Sun 2-4:30 Bayside Real Estate
\$599,950	1625 Magnolia Ln	4BD/2.5BA Sat & Sun 2-4 Harbor Bay Realty
\$618,000	2610 Bayview	3BD/2BA Sat & Sun 2-4 Harbor Bay Realty
\$620,000	400 Coral Reef Rd.	32BD/2BA Sun 2-4:30 Alameda Realty
\$624,999	1101 Court St	3BD/2BA Sat & Sun 2-4 Centennial Real Estate
\$625,000	2813-2815 Encinal	Sat & Sun 1-5 Set Properties
\$629,000	1263 Hawthorne St.	2BD/1.5BA Sun 2-4 Kane & Associates
\$665,000	3005 Jackson St.	3BD/2BA Sun 2-4 Kane & Associates
\$679,000	112 Roxbury Lane	3BD/2BA Sat & Sun 2-4 Harbor Bay Realty
\$695,000	322 Tideway	3BD/2.5BA Sun 2-4 Gallagher & Lindsey
\$698,000	2145-47 San Jose Ave	Duplex Sat & Sun 2-4 Gallagher & Lindsey
\$719,000	1612 Minturn St	3+BD/2BA Sat & Sun 2-4 Harbor Bay Realty
\$739,000	1838 Moreland	3BD/2.5BA Sun 2-4 Harbor Bay Realty
\$749,000	148 Keil Bay	3BD/2.5BA OPEN Sat 2-Sunday R.G. Lim Realtor
\$749,000	2134 Alameda Ave	4+BD/2.5BA Sun 2-4 Harbor Bay Realty
\$749,000	2814 Lincoln Ave	3+BD/2BA Sat & Sun 2-4 Kane & Associates
\$768,000	1164 Broadway	3+BD/2.5BA Sat 2-4 & Sun 2-5 Gallagher & Lindsey
\$775,000	325 Channing Way	3BD/2.5BA Open Sun 2-4 Caldwell Banker Bartels
\$799,000	2017 Eagle Ave	2 units Sat & Sun 2-4 Harbor Bay Realty
\$799,500	3206-3208 Central Ave	Duplex Sun 2-4 Gallagher & Lindsey

Alameda		
\$825,000	1643 Moreland Dr.	3BD/1.5BA Sat & Sun 2-4 Kane & Associates
\$895,000	2865 Santa Clara Ave	5BD/2BA Sun 2-5 Century 21
\$959,000	387 Victoria Bay	4+BD/3BA Sat & Sun 2-4 Harbor Bay Realty
\$988,000	3226 Thompson Ave	3BD/2BA Sun 2-4 Gallagher & Lindsey
\$998,000	138 Basinside Way	4BD/2.5BA Sun 2-4 Harbor Bay Realty
\$1,050,000	20 Moss Point	4BD/3BA Sat 1:30-4:30 & Sun 2-4 Harbor Bay Realty
Albany		
\$305,000	555 Pierce St. #436	2BD/2BA Open Sun 2-4 Thornwall Properties
\$465,000	638 Evelyn Avenue	2BD/1BA Open Sun 2-4:30 Prudential California Realty
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\$535,000	714 Masonic Ave.	3BD/2BA Open Sun 2-4 Berkeley Hills Realty
\$699,000	511 Stannage Avenue	3+BD/2BA Open Sun 1-5 Prudential California Realty
Berkeley		
\$420,000	3154 College #3	1BD/1BA Sat & Sun 2-4 Gallagher & Lindsey
\$425,000	828 Channing Way	3BD/1BA Open Sun 1-4 Help-U-Sell Berkeley Properties
\$450,000	1253 Carrison St.	3BD/1BA Open Sun 2-4:30 Prudential California Realty
\$450,000	1461 Acton Crescent	2BD/1BA Open Sun 2-4:30 Berkeley Hills Realty
\$479,000	3115 Wheeler Street	2+BD/1.5BA Open Sun 11-5 Prudential Montclair
\$495,000	1906 Chestnut	3BD/2BA Sun 2-4 Caldwell Banker
\$549,000	2501 Mabel St.	3BD/2BA Open Sun 2-4:30 Red Oak Realty
\$699,000	1998 Marea	3BD/3BA Open Sun 2-5 Prudential California Realty
\$699,000	551 Santa Clara Ave.	3BD/2BA Open Sun 2-4 Red Oak Realty
\$738,000	1703-1705 Milvia Street	Duplex Open Sun 1-4 Help-U-Sell Berkeley Properties
\$749,000	561 Cragmont Ave.	3BD/2BA Open Sat & Sun 2-4 Pacific Union GMAC
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\$845,000	1923 Yolo Avenue	3+BD/2+BA Open Sun 2-5 Red Oak Realty
\$849,000	2729 Fulton Street	4+BD/3BA Open Sun 2-4 Marvin Gardens
\$865,000	95 Alvarado Rd.	2+BD/1.5BA Sun 2-4:30 The Grubb Co.
\$925,000	525 Colusa	5BD/3BA Open Sun 2-4 Berkeley Hills Realty

Berkeley		
\$968,000	3390 Dwight Way	3BD/2BA Open Sun 2-4:30 Red Oak Realty
\$1,250,000	600 Alvarado Rd.	4BD/3.5BA Sun 2-4:30 C21 Heritage
\$1,650,000	1020 Keeler	6BD/5.5BA Sun 2-4 Caldwell Banker
Castro Valley		
\$619,000	17153 President Dr.	4BD/3BA Sat & Sun 2-4 Gallagher & Lindsey
\$975,000	4419 Ewing Road	4BD/3.5BA Sun 1-4 Harbor Bay Realty
El Cerrito		
\$389,000	907 Vista Heights Rd.	2BD/1.5BA Open Sun 2-4 Red Oak Realty
\$610,000	116 Seaview Dr.	3BD/2BA Open Sun 1-4 Caldwell Banker Bartels
\$825,000	728 Gelston Pl.	3BD/2.5BA Open Sun 2-4:30 Caldwell Banker Bartels
\$1,350,000	1501 Madera Court	5BD/3.5BA Open Sun 2-4:30 RE/MAX Executive
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\$435,000	478 Rincon Rd.	3+BD/2BA Open Sun 2-4 Security Pacific Real Estate
\$499,000	711 Bayview Ct.	3BD/2BA Sun 1-4 Pacific Union GMAC
\$580,000	23 Mc Cormick Road	3BD/3.5BA Open Sun 1-4 Exit Realty Carson
\$700,000	1041 Trailside Dr.	4BD/2BA Open Sun 1-4 Help-U-Sell Berkeley Properties
Hayward		
\$405,000	1336 McFarland Ln	3BD/2BA Sun 2-4 Homes-Link Real Estate
Kensington		
\$699,000	262 Colgate	3BD/2BA Open Sun 2-4 Marvin Gardens
Moraga		
\$1,950,000	35 Hanson Court	4BD/3BA Open Sun 2-4 Maison Nouveau
Oakland		
\$190,000	848 15th St. E Unit B	1BD/1BA Sun 2-4 Caldwell Banker
\$215,000	407 Orange St. #208	1BD/1BA Sun 2-4:30 Adam's Point
\$255,000	9627 Walnut Street	2+BD/1BA Open Sun 2-4:30 Prudential Montclair
\$269,000	645 Chetwood #106	1BD/1BA Open Sun 2-5 Prudential CA Realty
\$299,000	195 Santa Clara #5	1BD/1BA Sun 2-4:30 Grand Lake
\$349,000	2018 11th Ave.	2BD/1BA Sun 2-4:30 Pacific Union GMAC Real Estate
\$350,000	377 Palm Ave. #108	2BD/2BA Sun 2-4:30 Wells & Bennett Realtors
\$353,000	1054 56th St.	2BD/1BA Open Sun 2-5 Red Oak Realty
\$359,000	1278 58th Ave.	3BD/1BA Sun 1-4:30pm Regency California Realty

Oakland		
\$379,000	2630 55th Ave	3BD/2BA Sun 2-4 Harbor Bay Realty
\$385,000	3915 Penman Ave	3BD/2BA Open Sun 2-4:30 Prudential California Realty
\$394,000	323 Monte Vista Pl	2BD/2BA Sun 2-4:30 Caldwell Banker
\$400,000	664 27th Street	3BD/2BA Open Sat & Sun 2-4:30 West Prudential California Realty
\$407,000	9411 Birch Street	3BD/2BA Open Sun 2-4:30 Better Homes Realty
\$419,000	3726 Magee Avenue	3BD/2BA Open Sun 2-4:30 Prudential Montclair
\$424,900	2854 Modesto Avenue	3BD/2BA Open Sun 2-5 Prudential California Realty
\$430,000	2211 42nd Avenue	3BD/2BA Open Sat & Sun 2-5 Prudential California Realty
\$449,000	1830 Lakeshore Pk	3BD/2BA Sun 2-4:30 Pacific Union GMAC Real Estate
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\$479,000	4192 Maple Ave	3BD/2BA Sun 2-5 Lincoln Heights
\$489,000	3898 College	3BD/2BA Open Sun 1-5 Prudential Claremont
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\$499,000	7000 Sayre Drive	3BD/2BA Sun 2-4:30 C21 Heritage
\$524,000	3914 Randolph	3BD/2BA Sun 2-4:30 Glenview
\$525,000	3018 Maple Avenue	3BD/2BA Open Sun 2-4:30 Prudential Montclair
\$549,000	752 61st Street	3BD/2BA Open Sun 2-4:30 North Prudential Montclair
\$549,000	774 54th Street	3BD/2BA Sat 2-4 Gallagher & Lindsey
\$550,000	405 & 407 Alcatraz	3BD/2BA Sun 2-4:30 Rockridge
\$569,000	4929 Stacy Street	3BD/2BA Open Sun 2-4:30 Prudential Montclair
\$579,000	62 Serrano Dr.	3BD/2BA Sun 2-4:30 Redwood Hills
\$595,000	13051 Broadway Terrace	3BD/2BA Open Sun 2-4:30 Better Homes Realty
\$595,000	4445 Moraga Ave	3BD/2BA Open Sun 2-4:30 Prudential Claremont
\$599,000	7201 Sarcom Drive	3BD/2BA Sun 2-4:30 The Grubb Co.
\$620,000	1927 Gaspar Dr.	3BD/2BA Sat 2-4/ Sun 1-5 Help-U-Sell Alameda Homes
\$629,000	1322 Everett	3BD/2BA Open Sun 2-4 Prudential California Realty
\$629,000	4040 Panama Dr	3BD/2BA Sun 2-4:30 The Grubb Co.

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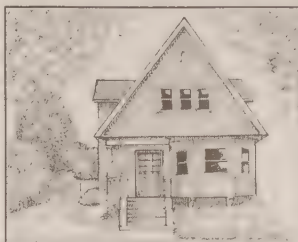
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Sunday Open House September 12th 2:00-4:30PM

Return this jewel to its original sparkle! Wonderful fixer opportunity in the sought-after neighborhood of Le Conte/ Lower Elmwood. Built in 1904, this charming two-story home on a tree-lined street near Telegraph and Ashby features 2 spacious bedrooms and 1 bath. Inviting front porch with charming leaded glass window in corner of entry. Exceptional details awaiting restoration include redwood-paneled dining room with brick fireplace and built-in cabinets, living room with redwood molding, hardwood floors, sunny kitchen with access to nice-sized back yard. Excellent location near Whole Foods, Alta Bates, and Elmwood/College Avenue shops and restaurants. Close to UC campus, BART, AC Transit and freeway access.

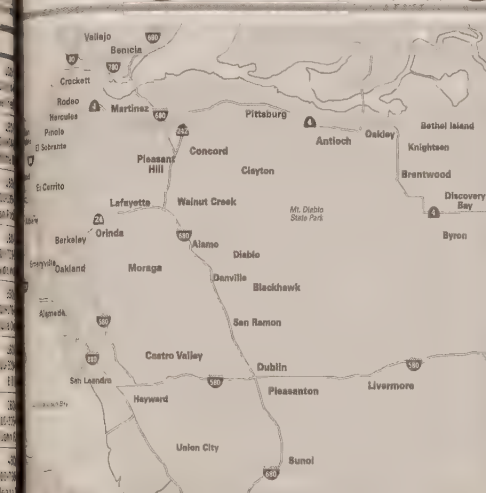
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\$799,000 2014 Clemens Road 4BD/2BA Open Sun 2-4:30 510-482-9000 Better Homes Realty Patricia Bennett.com	\$1,575,000 6525 Swainland Rd. 5+BD/3.5BA Sun. 2-4:30 510-339-0400 The Grubb Co. Dana Cohen	\$335,000 566 24th St. 3BD/2BA Sun. 2-4:30 510-339-4700 Coldwell Banker Barbara Hardacre
\$839,000 10801 Lochard St. 3+BD/3BA Sun. 2-5 510-338-1334 Pacific Union GMAC Real Estate Vicki Woodhead	\$1,649,500 5816 Buena Vista Ave. 4BD/3BA Sun. 2-4:30 510-338-1318 Pacific Union GMAC Real Estate Dee Knowland	\$365,000 2557 Treeside Way 3BD/2.5BA Open Sun 1-4 510-672-8942/262-1580x601 Exit Realty Carson Jyoti Sandhu
\$895,000 6165 Ascot Dr. 3BD/2BA Sun. 2-4:30 510-338-1307 Pacific Union GMAC Real Estate Jeffrey Himmel	\$1,669,000 6444 Westover Dr. 3BD/3.5BA Open Sun 2-5 510-485-0211 Prudential Claremont Barbara Hopper	\$419,000 3229 Barrett Avenue 2BD/2BA Open Sun 1-4 510-691-3853 Security Pacific Real Estate Kathy Casares
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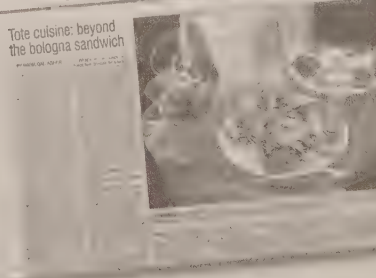
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15165 Orion Rd - \$669,000
16920 Robey Pl - \$629,000
16508 Rolando Av - \$540,000
16701 Rolando Av - \$490,000
15065 Thotts St - \$395,000
700 Tivoli St - \$684,500
705 Tivoli St - \$690,000
1130 Tulane Av - \$525,000
1517 Virginia St - \$398,000
217 W. Broadmoor - \$502,500
230 W. Broadmoor - \$439,000

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15908 Devonwood - \$556,000
15551 Ronconi Dr - \$555,000
1801 Via Barrett - \$559,000
16191 Via Catherine - \$477,500
17317 Via Chiquita - \$380,000
17009 Via Cielo - \$450,000
1121 Via Enrico - \$550,000
1746 Via Hermana - \$475,500
1076 Via Honda - \$420,000
15851 Via Hornitos - \$478,000
2148 Via Murieta - \$470,000
15863 Via Nueva - \$427,000
15812 Via Rivera - \$440,000

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LOWEST PRICE: \$320,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$981,000
MEDIAN PRICE: \$610,000

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TOTAL SALES: 5
LOWEST PRICE: \$405,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$580,000
MEDIAN PRICE: \$520,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$494,800

TOTAL SALES: 25

LOWEST PRICE: \$250,000

HIGHEST PRICE: \$1,455,000
MEDIAN PRICE: \$715,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$739,300

EL CERRITO

TOTAL SALES: 10
LOWEST PRICE: \$320,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$900,000
MEDIAN PRICE: \$582,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$572,800

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EL SOBRANTE

TOTAL SALES: 10
LOWEST PRICE: \$194,500
HIGHEST PRICE: \$508,000
MEDIAN PRICE: \$410,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$377,750

EMERYVILLE

TOTAL SALES: 2
LOWEST PRICE: \$216,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$239,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$227,500

KENSINGTON

TOTAL SALES: 3
LOWEST PRICE: \$650,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$800,000
MEDIAN PRICE: \$718,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$722,667

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Mortgage Market	30-yr Fixed 5.750 0.000 5.842 ... 30	30-yr Fxd Jumbo 6.000 0.000 6.093 ... 30	15-yr Fixed 5.250 0.000 5.402 ... 30	5/1 ARM Jumbo 5.000 0.000 3.911 ... 30	Great Purchase, Refinance, Construction, Home Equity, 100% LTV Loans Great service, Over 25 years in Business
Mortgage World	30-yr Fixed 5.375 0.500 5.536 30	30-yr Fxd Jumbo 5.500 1.000 5.641 ... 30	1-yr ARM 3.125 0.000 3.227 ... 30	Commercial APART MIXED call ... SBA	Bad Credit BK OK UPTO 107% CAIL NOW NO INCOME ASSET, JOB LOANS AVAILABLE SE HABLA ESPANOL NO COST HOME EQUITY
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Pacific West Financial	30-yr Fixed 5.750 0.000 5.856 30	30-yr Fxd Jumbo 6.000 0.000 6.048 ... 30	5/1 ARM Jumbo 4.875 0.000 4.918 ... 30	3/1 ARM 4.250 0.000 4.347 ... 30	Se Habla Espanol/No Doc Loans 100% purchase/Credit problems OK Interest Only Loans/BK OK
Preferred Mtg Services	30-yr Fixed 5.625 0.000 5.744 30	30-yr Fxd Jumbo 5.875 0.000 5.937 ... 30	MTA Index* 1.250* 0.000 3.642 ... 30	5/1 ARM Jumbo 4.625 0.000 4.683 ... 30	NO OUT OF POCKET COST LOANS AVAIL NO INCMO ASSET VERIF DIRECT LENDER *POTEN NEG AMT www.PreferredMortgage.com
Premier Mortgage Group	30-yr Fixed 5.625 0.000 5.680 30	30-yr Fxd Jumbo 5.875 0.000 5.898 ... 30	3/1 ARM 3.750 0.000 3.673 ... 30	5/1 ARM 4.375 0.000 3.927 ... 30	www.pmgmortgage.com Purchase specialist-we get loans closed! Great jumbo & interest only programs
Santelli & Associates	30-yr Fixed 5.625 0.000 5.718 30	30-yr Fxd Jumbo 5.875 0.000 5.914 ... 30	3/1 ARM 4.125 0.000 4.210 ... 30	30-yr ARM 1.250* 0.000 4.749 ... 30	OPEN WEEKENDS 10 POINTS-0 COSTS avail INTEREST ONLY/DOWN PMT/full ind4x662 APPLY ONLINE AT www.loanpaperwork.com
Saratoga Bancorp	30-yr Fixed 5.625 0.000 5.684 45	30-yr Fxd Jumbo 5.875 0.000 5.904 ... 45	15-yr Fixed 5.125 0.000 5.223 ... 45	5/1 ARM 4.625 0.000 4.860 ... 45	Good or Bad Credit, Cash in 7 days! No Income Check Loans! 1st or 2nd Mortgage Pur/Refi to 100% saratogabancorp.com
Venstar Financial	30-yr Fixed 5.625 0.000 5.716 ... 30	30-yr Fxd Jumbo 5.875 0.000 5.915 ... 30	7/1 ARM Jumbo 5.125 0.000 5.163 ... 30	Jumbo 1 Month Libor 2.625 1.000 2.734 ... 30	Ask us about our 0 point, 0 fee programs We'll beat any bank's rates 7 days a week 100% equity loans, and commercial loans
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A Superior Mortgage	30-yr Fixed 5.625 0.000 5.760 ... 30	30-yr Fxd Jumbo 6.000 0.000 6.120 ... 30	15-yr Fixed 5.125 0.000 5.290 ... 30	5/1 ARM 4.500 0.000 4.610 ... 30	Open weekends, Credit problems OK *Apply online* www.superior-mtg.net
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Amerisave Mortgage Corp.	30-yr Fixed call	30-yr Fxd Jumbo call	3/1 ARM call	5/1 ARM call	*APR includes bank fee, 745 FICO www.amerisave.com Best rates and lowest fees guaranteed or we pay you \$300
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Cal First Lending	30-yr Fixed 5.375 1.500 5.583 ... 30	30-yr Fxd Jumbo 5.875 0.000 5.908 ... 30	15-yr Fixed 4.750 1.500 4.951 ... 30	5/1 ARM Jumbo 4.500 1.500 4.658 ... 30	FAST APPROVAL, NO DOWN PAYMENT PROGRAMS BAD CREDIT & BK, OK NO CLOSING COST AVAIL OPEN EVENING & WEEKENDS, CALL 877-741-6280
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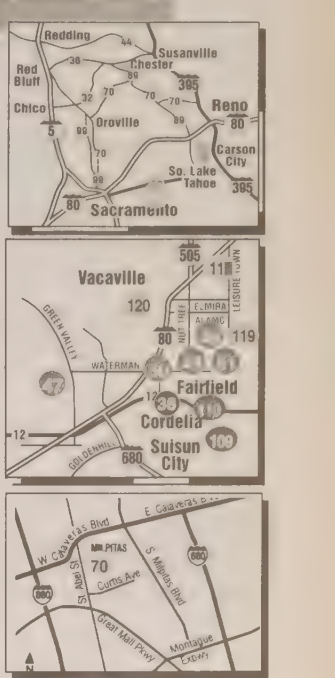
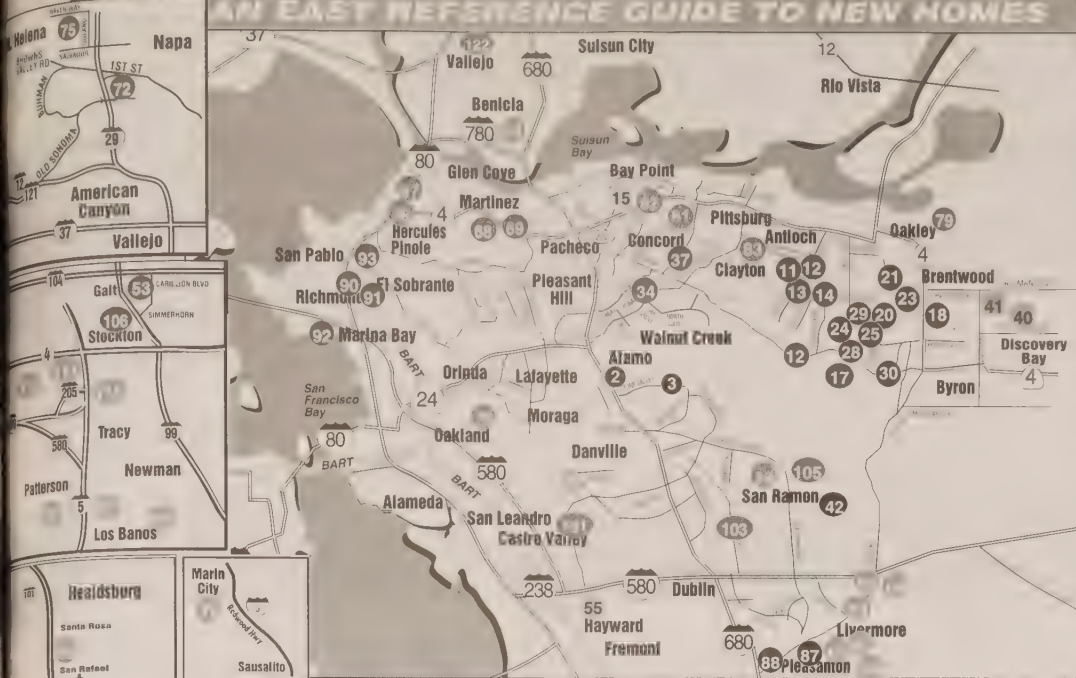
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OAKLAND

TOTAL SALES: 134
 LOWEST PRICE: \$142,000
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$2,258,000
 MEDIAN PRICE: \$434,000
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$506,127

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PIEDMONT

TOTAL SALES: 5
 LOWEST PRICE: \$840,000
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$1,500,000
 MEDIAN PRICE: \$899,000
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$1,086,000

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TOTAL SALES: 39
 LOWEST PRICE: \$130,000
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$625,000
 MEDIAN PRICE: \$350,000

AVERAGE PRICE: \$345,859

SAN LEANDRO

TOTAL SALES: 28
 LOWEST PRICE: \$300,000
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$705,000
 MEDIAN PRICE: \$496,000
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$500,250

SAN LORENZO

TOTAL SALES: 13
 LOWEST PRICE: \$380,000

HIGHEST PRICE: \$559,000
 MEDIAN PRICE: \$475,500
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$479,846

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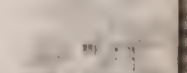
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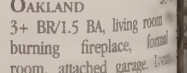
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Section C



WIN CURRIER

was a long road to majors

AS A KID in the Alameda projects and Encinal High School, he had endured racism. "I was a whole new 'real' when Willie Stargell's road to the Hall of Fame in baseball's minor

leagues. His book, "Willie Stargell: A Biography," with Willie Stargell and Tom Bird, Stargell shared, "Nothing else dealing with either baseball or life was difficult for me to handle as a player. Because I was raised in the projects, I grew up accepting people as equal. But my father was tested immediately when I entered the minor

leagues. After his first spring training with the Pittsburgh Pirates organization, he was assigned to San Antonio, Texas, in the Class D League, "the lowest classification in baseball" at the

time. Negroes were not accepted in the league's eight divisions, including the larger ones in the South (78,000).

The sophomore league was ruled by the rules of racism. San Angelo dropped out of the league because of low attendance and was moved to Roswell, N.M.," Stargell recalled. In Roswell, he and three other members of the team (all of them Latin American) were prohibited from living in the same section of the city or staying in the same hotel as the other players. The Pirates, he said, were sympathetic and took responsibility for providing housing.

Stargell boarded for \$20 a week with a black Air Force sergeant but "conditions on the team were a strain." He cited problems such as being able to eat in the dining room of restaurants, bus stops banned the Negroes from coming in and out, grossing \$175 a month, and having wardrobe problems. But, he wrote, "although I was deeply bothered by racism ... I always hid inside and never allowed it to escape, never spoke anyone about it."

Negroes, he wrote, were allowed in separate parts of the stadium. "The racial insults hurt, but the most hurt was that Negroes shouted insults. 'I know what to do. I felt so unwanted, so intimidated (but) after talking to a Negro I gutted up the pain. ... I started to grin and bear it. ... I decided to complain. I didn't want to be taken from the

team." The sophomore league, no one had ever cared if you were black. Then in Plainfield, someone cared enough to tell me my life because of it." There was, Stargell recalled, that "a white man on the team said, (expletive), if you're in that game tonight, you're brought out."

Stargell's troubles out as he moved to the minor leagues. Grand Forks, N.D., where they'd hardly ever seen black people before," Stargell recalled, Asheville, N.C., Columbus, Ohio. In 1962, he was called up to Pittsburgh at the end of the season. There, he played the final years of the Pirates' East title but lost in the playoffs. In Stargell's eighth-inning, he threw in what turned out to be the deciding run in the Pirates' championship.

Stargell finished second to current Pirates manager Joe Mauer in the National League

in 1972. He hit 33 homers and drove in 112 runs as the Pirates won their third straight pennant flag. Following Roberto Clement's death in a plane crash on Dec. 31, 1972, Stargell

was named manager of the Pirates. Page 2

Scott named head coach for Gauchos

■ Former Berkeley High standout is rewarded for his loyalty to El Cerrito boys basketball program

By Chace Bryson
STAFF WRITER

He may have played for and graduated from Berkeley High School, but for the last five years, Antonio Scott has dedicated himself to the boys basketball programs at El Cerrito. And it has paid off.

On Tuesday, athletic director George Austin confirmed that the

five-year assistant had been hired as the new varsity boys head coach.

"I'm very excited," Scott said Tuesday.

Scott began his service with El Cerrito basketball assisting varsity coach Brent Daniels at the start of the 1999-2000 season. In addition to assisting the varsity, he was also the junior varsity boys coach for his first two seasons with the school.

As an assistant for Daniels, the Gauchos basketball team went to the North Coast Section Division III playoffs three out of four years — winning the NCS

title in the 2002-03 season. Last season, with Scott assisting coach Billy Keys, El Cerrito went 15-11 and lost in the first round of the NCS playoffs.

Scott has a storied playing career that includes playing for Diablo Valley College and Chico State, and even earning a few workouts with the Utah Jazz after developing a friendship with Utah center Greg Foster. When he was asked by Daniels to join the staff at El Cerrito, Scott was coaching at the junior high level and running some after-school programs for the district.

Despite just two years of head

coaching experience at the JV level, Scott is not worried about his first job as a varsity head coach.

"I've been an assistant in the program for the last five years, so I don't look at it as much of a transition," Scott said. "It's just a new title. Coaching basketball and dealing with kids is what I've been doing for a long time, so I'm not that worried about it."

As a number of players return from last season's team, Scott feels that the familiarity with his players will also help.

"I've already coached most of

these guys," Scott said. "They know what to expect out of me, and I know how to get the best out of them."

The Gauchos had four sophomores on last year's roster who will return as juniors. The team will also return four seniors who had impacts last season, including Milton Brown and Kendrick Leaks.

"We're going to look to surprise some people," Scott said. "This group has been playing together for a while now and is real team-oriented. I'm looking forward to (the season)."



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Almost football time

ALBANY HIGH SCHOOL'S Donnie Phelps, left photo, and Drew Southern get ready for the upcoming football season during conditioning drills.

BRIEFS

BAWBL baseball tourney

1st Annual Tournament for Bay Area Women's Baseball League will be held Sept. 23-25 at Mission College in Santa Clara. Games held Friday and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday championships begin at 10 a.m. Top women's teams from around nation, food and booths. www.cawomensbaseball.com.

Hadnot Foundation golf tourney

6th Annual Jim Hadnot Golf Classic will be held Sept. 17 at Metropolitan Golf Links at 10051 Doolittle Dr. in Oakland with 7:30 a.m. shotgun start. Four-person scramble format. \$130/person or \$250/foursome. Proceeds benefit James W. Hadnot, Sr. Foundation. 510-393-2931.

CA Track Club

CA Track Club in Oakland is looking for boys and girls ages 11-16. 510-482-9696.

Bay Area Rescue Mission golf tourney

Bay Area Rescue Mission's New Life Golf Tournament will be held Sept. 27 at Richmond Country Club. \$500/player or \$2,500/foursome includes lunch, tee favors, awards dinner. Volunteers needed. 510-215-4889 or RMiller@BayAreaRescue.org.

Monarchs boys basketball

Oakland Monarchs Basketball Club is looking for boys for its 1st

grade/7-under, 2nd grade/8-under and 3rd grade/9-under teams. Signups and workouts held Wednesdays from 6:45 p.m. and Saturdays from 1-2:30 p.m. at Rainbow Recreation Center at 5800 International Blvd. in Oakland. 510-615-5751.

Monarchs girls basketball

Oakland Monarchs Basketball Club is looking for girls for its 10-under team. Practices start Sept. 11 at noon at Rainbow Recreation Center at 5800 International Blvd. in Oakland. 510-615-5751.

Siam N' Jam fall basketball

Siam N' Jam fall league will be holding its players draft for ages 12-14 in grades 6-8 Sept. 4 at Rainbow Community Center on Seminary and East 14th Streets in Oakland. \$45. Games will be held Saturday mornings beginning Sept. 18. 510-677-1382 or www.siamnjam.org.

Unique Mestiza's softball tourney

21st Annual Unique Mestiza's Men's and Women's Slowpitch Tournament will be held Sept. 11-12 at Louis Park Softball Complex in Stockton. \$200 per team. Registration deadline Sept. 6. 209-951-5735 or 209-406-2616.

El Cerrito seeks football coaches

El Cerrito High School is looking for two assistant football coaches. 510-508-3163.

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Representatives from organizations within the circulation area of the Alameda Journal, Berkeley Voice, El Cerrito Journal, Montclairian and Piedmonter are encouraged to submit items to this address.

For questions, please call 510-748-1662 or 510-262-2738.

Albany Little League signups

Albany Little League is taking signups for fall ball online at www.AlbanyLittleLeague.org.

Coast to Coast open softball tryouts

Coast to Coast Softball is looking for California softball players ages 16-19 to represent USA in international competition in Australia and Hawaii. Open tryouts will be held Sept. 2 at

5 p.m. at United Sports Complex in Stockton and Sept. 11 at 10 a.m. at Solano College in Suisun City. 740-373-2068 or www.CoastToCoastAthletics.com.

Chris Mashburn Memorial softball tourney

Chris Mashburn Memorial Foundation Tournament will be held Sept. 18-19 at Willow Pass Park in Concord for men's and coed city league teams C and lower. \$260. 925-682-0478 or www.crmfndation.org.

Miramonte seeks volleyball coach

Miramonte High School in Orinda is looking for a freshman volleyball coach. 925-376-4423, ext. 451.

Strikers 18-under softball tryouts

Strikers 18-under team will be holding tryouts for fall ball Aug. 29 at Oak Grove High School at 285 Blossom Hill Rd. in San Jose. Pitchers and catchers at 9 a.m., and position players at 10:30 a.m. 408-227-8191, 408-274-9301 or www.strikers.org.

Sorcerer 18 gold/18A softball tryouts

Sorcerer Softball 18 gold and 18A teams will be holding tryouts Aug. 29. 925-825-6274 or www.sorcerersoftball.org.

Sorcerer 14A softball tryouts

Sorcerer Softball 14A team will be

holding tryouts Aug. 29 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Benicia Middle School. 707-747-1027 or www.sorcerersoftball.org.

Sorcerer 16A softball tryouts

Sorcerer Softball 16A team will be holding tryouts Aug. 29 from 1:30-4 p.m. at Benicia Middle School. 925-934-1821 or www.sorcerersoftball.org.

Strikers 10-under-16-under softball tryouts

Strikers 10-under through 16-under teams will be holding tryouts for fall ball Aug. 29 at Oak Grove High School at 285 Blossom Hill Rd. in San Jose. 408-281-7855 or www.strikers.org.

National Junior Basketball

National Junior Basketball is looking for leaders to start NJB chapters. 40,000 members in Southern California. www.njbl.org.

Piedmont High basketball clinics

Piedmont High School's boys basketball coach Chris Lavdiotis and girls coach Bryan Gardere and staff will be conducting shooting clinics with Global Shot Doctor for ages 7-18 Sept. 19 at PHS. Clinic 1, noon to 3 p.m., and Clinic II, 3-6 p.m. \$60 per clinic. 510-433-2600, or 510-655-2624.

FISHING REPORT

PACIFIC OCEAN

Diana Nunez of berkeleymarinasportfishing.com said the Berkeley salmon fishing fleet continued to work the area between the San Francisco Light Ship and the Marin shoreline. The salmon continue to hold in this area due to the abundance of anchovies. They are between 40 and 60 feet deep, with many boats scoring a fish a rod up to limits. On Tuesday,

both the New Easy Rider and the El Dorado returned with limits up to 21 pounds. Capt. Robert Gallia of the El Dorado said with the good weather predicted throughout the coming weekend, it's a good bet that the scores will improve as more of the larger fish move in.

James Smith and the California Dawn continued to have success fishing for rock cod. Along the Marin coast,

they caught 29 limits Wednesday and 11 limits Monday. Fishing near the Farallon Islands on Sunday, they caught 27 limits. Conditions have been calm.

THE BAYS

SUISUN: Tony Lopez of McAvoy's Bait in Pittsburg said the wind and the 1-2 foot tides have kept most boaters off the water. A couple oversized sturgeon were caught and released between Roe and Ryer islands. Roe Is-

land might be a place to catch strippers in the near future, as a lot of 5-6 pounders are being spotted. Lopez said other places to try include the Mottball Fleet and Middle Ground if the wind really dies down.

Jordana Santiago of Martinez Bait and Tackle reported fair fishing again this week, with one sturgeon and a few striped reported. The striped action should pick up in the coming weeks.

Tom Murray of San Leandro caught three strippers totaling 60 inches at the tank in Crockett using a hair raiser. Steve Wickum of El Sobrante caught a 35-inch, 15-pound sturgeon on a bull-head at the sandbar, and Bob Alt-meyer of Placerville caught a 40-pound, 50-inch sturgeon at Middle

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Fishing

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Ground on ghost shrimp. Christian and Clinton Roemer of Danville caught 12 catfish out of Sherman Island using clams.

THE RIVERS

SACRAMENTO RIVER, REDDING TO ANDERSON: Kirk Portocarrero of Outdoor Adventures Sport Fishing said fly fishing for rainbow trout is still good, with guided groups getting 15-25 fish each day. The bug hatch is good in the afternoon, with the mornings and afternoons the most productive. Rainbows are up to 6 pounds. Working well are Micro Mayfly No. 16 and Fox's Pupae.

SACRAMENTO RIVER, CORNING: Portocarrero said fishing for king salmon is picking up as anglers are catching 15-30 pounders around the Woodson Bridge area. More than 300 salmon passed the Diversion Dam in one day and more are making their way upriver. Watch for fishing to improve as the weeks pass. Anglers are using Flatfish T-50s and bouncing roe.

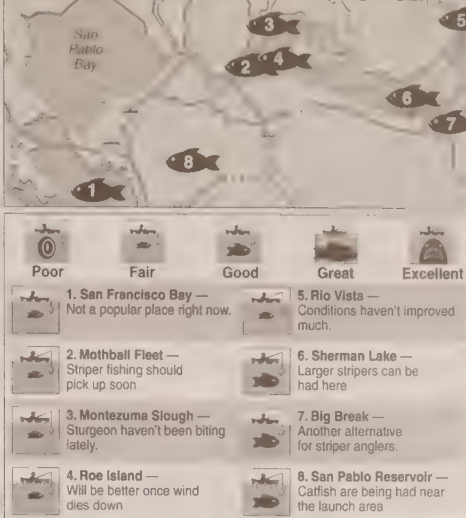
THE DELTA

David Dutra of Gotcha! Bait and Tackle in Antioch said strippers are being picked up using Rat-L-Traps in Big Break and Sherman Lake, and also near the Antioch Bridge using sardines and anchovies. Catfish can be caught at Holland Tract and Walnut Grove. Black bass action has been slow. Salmon should begin to appear in the Delta by mid-September.

Mark Abbey caught two 14-pound strippers and Russ Pipkin caught 5- and 8-pound strippers on Rat-L-Traps on the Sacramento River. Jack Bishop caught a 24.6-pound stripper and Sterling Felice caught a 13.6-pound stripper on shad at Sherman Lake. Kathy Allen caught a 2.5-pound stripper on anchovies at Jersey Island and Aaron Sanchez caught a 7-pound stripper on shad at Collinsville. Mike Shelton caught 30 pounds of catfish on frozen minnows near Walnut Grove. Victor Rosenberg caught a 45-pound salmon on ghost shrimp at Sherman Island, and Dutra and a friend caught two strippers totaling 17 pounds at Big Break using Rat-L-Traps.

Audie Urbano of Hap's Bait and Tackle jokingly said more people are flying kites around Rio Vista than catching fish. The wind continues to hamper most efforts to get on the water, although it has led to cooler water temperatures. Anglers can catch strippers around the Rio Vista Bridge and also off Decker Island if the wind dies down. Catfish still are being

Curtis Pashelka's Bay Area fishing report



caught in the back sloughs, such as Minor Slough.

THE LAKES

SAN PABLO RESERVOIR, EL SOBRANTE: Bait fishing for trout is slow as the water is still too warm to trigger a good bite. Keep adding attractant to your bait. Trolling for trout also is slow. Catfish action remains good with reports of some limits coming out of the launch area. Chicken liver is working best. Bass fishing is fair as anglers should try the area from Scow Canyon to the dam with crawdad pattern crank bait. Crappie fishing remains slow. San Francisco Bay anglers caught a 26-pound, 9.6-ounce catfish at the launch using liver.

LAKE CHABOT, CASTRO VALLEY: Some trout have been caught in Half Moon Bay on nightcrawlers, and bass continue to be taken at Alder Point using crankbaits or minnow-shaped plastics. Catfish action has been hot around the island and down at Bass Cove using mackerel and beef liver.

LOS VAQUEROS, BRENTWOOD: For trout, fish in the morning or late afternoon. Anglers are using a variety of PowerBait (rainbow, chartreuse, orange). Power Eggs have had good results and stay on the hook longer. Boaters have been having good luck bait fishing in Peninsula Cove and near the Dam using a variety of baits for rainbow trout.

A number of largemouth bass were caught this week with some off the shore near the docks by Oak Point and rock wall. Largemouth bass were also caught and released by anglers with boats in and around Peninsula Cove, using Rat-L-Traps or poppers. Bass anglers generally use rubber worms, Rat-L-Traps or poppers. White catfish, brown bullheads and channel catfish generally can be pulled out anywhere along shoreline. Catfish have been pulled out on worms close to Oak Point and South Cove. Some anglers with boats have caught catfish in Peninsula Cove and near the dam.

LAKE DEL VALLE, LIVERMORE:

A few lucky anglers have been picking up a few trout recently in the south end of the lake on nightcrawlers and PowerBait. Lately the bass have been right in the cover. If you don't get any snags, fish deeper into the cover. Try split shooting Senkos or pulling spinnerbaits right along the weeds. A lot of anglers are spotting catfish from the south end all the way to the dam. Try using chicken liver in the coves or in shallow shaded areas. Expect 2-4 fish per rod. Fishing slows down about noon. Bobby Carvajal, using nightcrawlers, caught a bluegill just shy of two pounds while fishing at the dam.

— Curtis Pashelka

Currier

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became the Pirates' field leader, led the league in homers with 44 and again finished second in MVP voting, this time to Pete Rose.

The Pirates finished first in their division again in 1974 when Stargell hit .301, and in 1975 he batted .295 and, for the first time in his pro career, alternated greatly between outfield and first base. In 1976, he was permanently assigned to first base. But Stargell also had physical and emotional problems and his average dipped to .257. An inner ear infection limited his 1977 play to 63 games with a .274 average. The Pirates finished second in their division in 1978 for the third time, but Stargell had returned to form, hitting .295 with 97 RBI and was National League Comeback Player of the Year.

Going into the 1979 season, Stargell, as captain of the team, handed out gold cloth stars for teammates' caps for special performances and the Pirates had the theme song, Sister Sledge's "We Are Family," which helped motivate the team. The key cog was Stargell, who dazzled with his home run heroics against the Cubs in the last game of the season, then led the Pirates through the National League playoffs against Cincinnati by hitting .455 with two homers, a double and six RBI.

After the fourth game of the 1979 World Series against Baltimore, with the Pirates trailing 3-1, he wrote, at a clubhouse session with barbecued ribs washed down with vintage wine, he told the group, "We're professionals. We don't live in the past and we don't let one ballgame ruin our future either. Tomorrow, we'll go out and have fun again, win or lose. The man doesn't say 'Work Ball,' you know, it's 'Play Ball!'"

And the rest is history as the Pirates took three straight and on Oct. 17 won 4-1 for the World Series title with Stargell the MVP.

In 1980 the Pirates were third in the National League East. That's when Phil Garner, speaking of the varied ethnic and racial makeup of the team, said, "To keep factions from developing you have to have someone that the blacks respect and someone that the whites respect, and the guy who puts that all together for us is Willie Stargell."

In total, Stargell hit more home runs than any player in Pirates history, including many of the longest shots, twice hitting the ball out of Dodger Stadium. Former Dodgers pitcher, now Atlanta broadcaster, Don Sutton said, "He didn't just hit pitchers, he took away their dignity."

When he shared the National League MVP award with Keith Hernandez in 1979, Stargell was the oldest player to achieve that honor.

During his Pirates' career he established a downtown-based center for his Sickle Cell Anemia Foundation. His sister, Sandra, was in charge of the office and took this writer on a tour through the Pittsburgh facility, along with a briefing on its many fund-raisers including an annual bowling tournament in Pittsburgh.

He retired from baseball in 1982, and later in the 1980s

served as a coach at the University of Pittsburgh and Atlanta and was inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1988. From 1988 until his death, Stargell was an assistant to the general manager of the Pirates.

Stargell suffered from years with kidney problems which required constant dialysis. Stargell died of a heart attack on April 9, 2001. The Pirates opened the stadium and first row of a 12-foot high bronze Stargell was unveiled at the stadium.

He was survived by his wife, four daughters and one son. Stargell was the father of the Alameda County parade from Washington down Webster Street in 1979. Stargell was a high school basketball player (Wilver Jr.) and played basketball at the University of Pittsburgh.

Steve Blass, a former Pittsburgh teammate, was the Washington Post's "oldest, Precious." "Besides the record numbers, the thing that impressed me the most was conveyed to the fans. I had fun he had playing the game. And it all began with a bony, skinny kid in an Army project and at West Park.

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(Julie Delpy) meet again after nine years apart and spend 80 minutes (the film is in real time) roaming the streets of Paris together. Richard Linklater's leanest, sparsest film yet is also his best, most mature work. It challenges all the conventions of romantic movies, cutting out grand mis-understandings, nudity and sex. Instead this potent, very love story delves into the real and true emotions involved in experiencing desire as we age and gain responsibilities. Even the smart, sweet "Before Sunrise" seems slightly staid in comparison. — M. Pols. (R: language and sexual references.) 1 hour, 20 minutes. A

"BENJI: OFF THE LEASH!": That lovable, smart dog is back, but in a darker story. A teen's parents run a puppy mill in their yard. The father is abusive; at times the mother has visible bruises. When a prized breed becomes pregnant, the boy rescues a pup, whose fate eventually intersects with Benji's. — C. Foster. (PG: thematic material.) 1 hour 46 minutes. C

"THE BOURNE SUPREMACY": Two years after we first met him, Matt Damon's Jason Bourne is as lithe, strong and sharp-witted a disaffected spy as ever. The franchise continues, with a strong tale of heartbreak and revenge, set among various exotic locales. Joan Allen joins the cast as a CIA operative who thinks Bourne has gone bad. Director Paul Greengrass takes over from Doug Liman, and he does a good job, although the material is less fresh and he's a little too in love with chaotic car chases. — M. Pols. (PG-13: intense action violence.) 1 hour, 48 minutes. B

"CATWOMAN": There's nothing quite

like the sight of an Oscar-winner hissing at a pair of dogs or polishing off a can of tuna with her fingers. This druck, directed by someone named merely "Pitof," is all about Halle Berry's bosom, not her acting talents. As a cosmetics mogul with a dirty secret, Sharon Stone makes a less-than-scorching villain, but love interest Benjamin Bratt, as a detective investigating possible Catwoman crimes, has a nice spark with Berry. Oh, how this movie made us long for Michelle Pfeiffer's "Batman Returns" pussycat. — M. Pols. (R: intense violence and some sensuality.) 1 hour, 31 minutes. C-

"THE CLEARING": A somber, taut and elegantly made thriller worth seeing for the unusually emotionally intimate performance from Robert Redford, who stars as a top executive kidnapped by a former employee (Willem Dafoe). The story is told in two parts, one following Redford's and Dafoe's characters on the day of the kidnapping and the other following Helen Mirren, playing Redford's wife, as she tries to get her husband back. A bit too civilized, but first-time director Pieter Jan Brugge does a fine job building the tension. — M. Pols. (R: brief strong language.) 1 hour, 31 minutes. B

"CODE 46": Rogue director Michael Winterbottom attempts yet another genre: the sci-fi love story. But the heavy-handed romance is doomed by worn themes and zero chemistry between lead actors Tim Robbins and Samantha Morton. — M. Pols. (R: a scene of sexuality, including brief nudity.) 1 hour, 33 minutes. C

"COLLATERAL": This Michael Mann thriller about one night in the life of a

hit man (Tom Cruise) and the cabbie (Jamie Foxx) unlucky enough to pick him up is slick, highly atmospheric and very cool, but requires a big leap of faith from the viewer. It's riddled with coincidences, implausibilities and physical impossibilities centering around the continued good feeling of Mr. Cruise in the face of many flying weapons and bullets. If you can get over that, you'll have a great time. Jada Pinkett Smith as a prosecutor with a link to both men adds a lovely note of calm. — M. Pols. (R: intense violence, language.) 2 hours. C+

"EXORCIST: THE BEGINNING": This prequel to "The Exorcist" is awash in repugnant imagery. Father Merrin (Stellan Skarsgard) has given up the priesthood in the late 1940s, his faith shattered by horrors he witnessed under the Nazis. A British scholar seeking a priceless artifact entices Merrin to join a dig in Kenya, where a pristine Roman Catholic church has been discovered, buried in the fifth century at a time when no Christian inroads had been made that far into Africa. — D. Germain. (R: strong violence and gore, disturbing images and rituals, language.) 1 hour, 53 minutes. D

"FAHRENHEIT 9/11": He's baaaaack. With a vengeance, a camera and archival footage no conservative wants to see. In Michael Moore's exhaustive, and rather exhausting, nonfiction film, the must-see "documentary" of the season, America's resident noodle details the many reasons why he hates President George Bush and why he thinks you should, too. The results are passionate, clever, scathing, funny, snarky, brutal, sad, glib, often wildly entertaining and at times superficial. Moore is at his strongest when he lets a woman named Lila Lipscomb, whose son was stationed in Iraq, do the talking. She will break your heart. — M. Pols. (R: language, violent images of war.) 1 hour, 56 minutes. B+

"FESTIVAL EXPRESS": They say that if you can remember Woodstock and other rock concerts of the 1960s, then you couldn't have been there. That also may be true of Canada's 1970 Festival Express tour, headlined by Janis Joplin, the Grateful Dead and The Band. As documented in the new film "Festival Express," it sheds new light on psychedelic rock while showing viewers heretofore unseen, career-defining performances by some legends. — B. Kava. (R: some language.) 1 hour, 30 minutes. B

"GARDEN STATE": "Scrubs" star Zach Braff wrote, directed and stars in this deceptively quirky tale that gradually deepens to end on a note of redemption marked by a brazen largeness of spirit. Braff plays a Los Angeles actor who returns to New Jersey when his mother dies, and simultaneously stops taking medication for depression. With Natalie Portman as the offbeat local girl with whom he hooks up. — K. Thomas. (R: drugs, language.) 1 hour, 42 minutes. B+

"HAROLD AND KUMAR GO TO WHITE CASTLE": Rude, crude and socially unacceptable, this stoner flick has more belly laughs than anything else this summer. The plot is just this: Two friends (John Cho and Kal Penn) get high and go in search of their dream fast food. What elevates it into something culturally interesting is the way the two leads, one Asian-American, the other Indian-American, are treated by the rest of the world — essentially with chronic and rampant racism — and how they respond. — M. Pols. (R: strong language, sexual content, drug use and some crude humor.) 1 hour, 23 minutes. B

"A HOME AT THE END OF THE WORLD": Based on an early book by Michael Cunningham, the film does an adequate enough job of showcasing the absolute adorableness of Colin Farrell. But it is Sissy Spacek, in a handful of scenes, who really earns what limited attention this film deserves. Bobby Morrow (Farrell) suffers the loss of everyone he loves — older brother, both parents — at a tender age, and spends the rest of the movie openly-headed seeking replacements. — B. Strauss. (R: sex, nudity, language, violence, drug use.) 1 hour, 35 minutes. C

OPENING TODAY

"ANACONDAS: THE HUNT FOR THE BLOOD ORCHID" (PG-13) In a Borneo jungle, scientists search for a rare blood orchid and find some nasty anacondas instead.

"DANNY DECKCHAIR" (PG-13) A truck driver escapes his suburban prison by blasting into the sky in a garden chair festooned with helium balloons and then reinvents himself.

"HERO" (R) The story of the violent dawn of the Qin dynasty and China's first emperor, shepherded into theaters by Quentin Tarantino. (In Mandarin with subtitles.)

"MEAN CREEK" (R) A group of teens set out on a celebratory boat trip that ultimately winds up like "Heart of Darkness." With Rory Culkin.

"END OF THE CENTURY: THE

STORY OF THE RAMONES" (NR) A documentary about legendary punk-rock band the Ramones.

"SUPERBABIES: BABY GENIUSES 2" (PG) In this sequel, a baby with super-powers comes to the aid of a group of brilliant toddlers. Voiced by Jon Voight and Scott Baio

"SUSPECT ZERO" (R) An FBI agent (Aaron Eckhart) investigates a strange murder that leads him to a chief suspect (Ben Kingsley) and a psychological labyrinth.

"UNCOVERED: THE WAR ON IRAQ" (NR) A documentary that chronicles the Bush administration's "determined quest" to invade Iraq. Directed by Robert Greenwald, who also made "Outfoxed: Rupert Murdoch's War on Journalism."

"IMAGINING ARGENTINA": Antonio Banderas and Emma Thompson star in this political thriller set in 1976 Buenos Aires. Banderas plays children's theater director Carlos, whose journalist wife, Cecilia (Thompson), vanishes after penning a series of articles questioning the fate of the "disappeared." But Carlos soon learns he has a gift — the ability to accurately "imagine" the fate of the disappeared. The one person he has difficulty "seeing," however, is Cecilia. — K. Crust. (R: violence/torture, brief language.) 1 hour, 39 minutes. D+

"INTIMATE STRANGERS": Anna is an unhappy Parisian housewife who, on the way to visit a psychiatrist, turns the wrong way and ends up spilling her guts to a financial adviser instead. William gets too excited to point out her mistake. Even when the truth comes out, she returns for more, with increasingly revealing and explicit conversation. For all of its intimations of deep psychological turmoil, this is a romantic film. — B. Strauss. (R: sex language, in French with subtitles.) 1 hour, 45 minutes. B

"I, ROBOT": Will Smith in the altogether is the most exciting thing about this self-important, derivative and muddled sci-fi thriller, awash in product placements, from Audi to leather Converse All Stars tennis shoes. He plays a Chicago homicide detective, circa 2035, who gets a uneasy feeling about the robots so pervasive in modern life. — M. Pols. (PG-13: intense, stylized action, some brief nudity.) 1 hour, 54 minutes. C

"LITTLE BLACK BOOK": Stacy (Brittany Murphy) digs through her boyfriend Derek's personal belongings when she begins to suspect he isn't being entirely truthful about his exes. Fellow talk-show producer Barb (Holly Hunter) encourages her to contact the women under the guise of inviting them onto the show as guests. Is it possible to create a romantic comedy in which nearly every character seems irreparably flawed? Examples come to mind, but this isn't one of them. — C. Lemire. (PG-13: sexual content/humor, language.) 1 hour, 45 minutes. D+

"THE MANCHURIAN CANDIDATE": John Frankenheimer's original still sparkles, but director Jonathan Demme has done a surprisingly good job remaking it. The story is updated to contemporary times, with the Gulf War subbing nicely for the Korean War, and corporate moguls making villains almost as insidious and creepy as the Communists in the 1962 film. The three leads — Denzel Washington, Meryl Streep and Liev Schreiber — deliver excellent performances. The movie is weakest when it dips into standard thriller formula, and it lacks the surreal visual punch of the original. — M. Pols. (R: violence, some language.) 2 hours, 6 minutes. B+

"MARIA FULL OF GRACE": A compelling, lyrical and highly accomplished debut feature by writer/director Joshua Marston, which puts a human face on one of the more inhumane and despicable aspects of the drug trade, the use of "mules" to transport heroin and cocaine. Through Maria, his heroine, we come to understand how an otherwise innocent young girl would willingly take such a risk. In the

title role, serene newcomer Catalina Sandino Moreno wins our sympathy — M. Pols. (R: drug content, language.) 1 hour, 41 minutes. A-

"METALLICA: SOME KIND OF MONSTER": This rockumentary presents a fly-on-the-wall perspective during the recording of Metallica's latest album, "St. Anger." The CD was delayed when lead singer James Hetfield checked into a rehab clinic, and the band hired a therapist to help them deal with the long-term problems that had led him there. The film counts off the days, interspersed with flashbacks. The big difference between this rockumentary and so many others is that the members of Metallica had the guts to show their lives uncensored. — B. Kava. (Not rated.) 2 hour, 20 minutes. B

"NAPOLEON DYNAMITE": Napoleon, played by Jon Heder, is a gangly mouth-breather whose affectless eccentricity could easily be mistaken for simple-mindedness. "He's a tender little guy," as described by his Uncle Rico (Jon Gries). This is about the kindest thing anyone says about Napoleon, who is taunted, harassed and laughed at in school. It is also the truest, though it may take you a while to appreciate it. This movie, filled with small-town, quirky characters, is ultimately more tender than cruel. — A.O. Scott. (PG: thematic elements and language.) 1 hour, 26 minutes. C+

"THE NOTEBOOK": Wealthy big-city girl Allie (Rachel McAdams) meets local working-class boy Noah (Ryan Gosling) while vacationing with her family and they fall in wild teenage love. Her parents don't approve, and they go their separate ways — she to college, he to World War II. But since their story is being told in flashbacks in the form of a notebook — which a kind older gentleman (James Garner) is reading in a nursing home to a kind older lady with Alzheimer's disease (Gena Rowlands) — you begin to suspect that these star-crossed lovers ended up crossing paths again. — C. Lemire. (PG-13: some sexuality.) 2 hours. C-

"OPEN WATER": A young couple are beginning to drift apart; you can see it on the first night of Daniel and Susan's vacation. On the second night, drifting apart becomes less a relationship issue than a navigational nightmare. The pair end up in a watery predicament — all alone, miles from shore, bobbing like corks in shark-infested waters — after their dive-bout mistakenly leaves without them. — B. Newman. (R: nudity, profanity.) 1 hour, 19 minutes. B+

"OUTFOXED: RUPERT MURDOCH'S WAR ON JOURNALISM": Left-wing filmmaker Robert Greenwald's attempt to call foul on media owner Rupert Murdoch's exclamation-point news network. The film clearly wants to show viewers the Fox network's conservative agenda, but more than that, to challenge its claim of "fair and balanced." Among those interviewed are Walter Cronkite, comedian Al Franken and cultural critic James Wolcott. — D. Thomson. (Not rated.) 1 hour, 17 minutes. B

FRIDAY MOVIE LISTINGS

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Superbabies: Baby Geniuses 2 (PG) 12:15, 2:20, 4:30, 6:40, 9
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United Artists Berkeley 7
2274 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley 510-843-0193
Anacondas: The Hunt for the Blood Orchid (PG-13) 1:15, 4, 6:45, 9:30
Collateral (R) 12:30, 3:30, 6:30, 9:30
Without a Paddle (PG-13) 12:30, 2:30, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45
The Manchurian Candidate (R) 1:4, 7, 10
Spider-Man 2 (PG-13) 12:50, 3:50, 6:50, 9:50
Suspect Zero (R) 12:45, 3:15, 6:30, 9:15
What the... Do We Know? (Not Rated) 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10

United Artists Emery Bay
6330 Christie Ave., Emeryville 510-420-0492
Alien vs. Predator 1:30, 4, 7:10, 9:30, 10:30
Anacondas: The Hunt for the Blood Orchid (PG-13) 12:45, 1:45, 3:15, 4:15, 5:45, 7:15, 8:15, 9:45, 10:45
Harold & Kumar Go to White Castle (R) 1:10, 3:20, 5:30, 7:50, 10:15
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Outfoxed: Rupert Murdoch's War on Journalism (Not Rated) 12:50, 2:50, 5, 7:20, 9:20
Spider-Man 2 (PG-13) 1:4, 7, 10
Without a Paddle (PG-13) 12:30, 1:45, 3, 4:30, 5:30, 7:10, 9:30, 10:30
Yu-Gi-Oh (PG) 1:30, 4:30, 5:40

Central Contra Costa
Renaissance Orinda Theatre
4 Orinda Theatre Sq., Orinda 925-254-9060
Open Water (R) 12:45, 3, 5, 7:15, 9
Outfoxed: Rupert Murdoch's War on Journalism (Not Rated) 12:50, 2:50, 5, 7:20, 9:20
The Princess Diaries 2: Royal Engagement (G) 1:40, 4:10, 6:50, 9:20
Uncovered: The War on Iraq (Not Rated) 1, 4:15, 7:30

Renaissance Park Theatre
3519 Golden Gate Way., Lafayette 925-283-7997
Garden State (R) 2, 4:30, 7, 9:15

Rheem All Stadium
350 Park St., Moraga 925-988-3411
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West Contra Costa
Century 16 Hilltop
3200 Klose Way, Richmond 510-758-2345
Alien vs. Predator (PG-13) 12:15, 2:45, 5:10, 7:45, 10:10
Anacondas: The Hunt for the Blood Orchid (PG-13) 12:25, 1:45, 2:50, 4:05, 5:15, 6:30, 7:40, 8:55, 10:05
Benji: Off the Leash! (PG) 11:30
The Bourne Supremacy (PG-13) 12, 2:30, 4:55, 7:30, 10
Collateral (R) 11:40, 2:20, 5, 7:35, 10:15
Exorcist: The Beginning (R) 11:45, 2:25, 5:05, 6:35, 7:55, 9:05, 10:30
Hero (PG-13) 11:35, 12:45, 2, 3:10, 4:30, 5:35, 7, 8, 9:20, 10:25
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AMC Van Ness 14
1000 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco 415-922-4222
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Fahrenheit 9/11 (R) 1:30, 7:45, 10:35
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Suspect Zero (R) 12:45, 4:55, 8, 10:45
The Village (PG-13) 4:25
Without a Paddle (PG-13) 1:15, 5:25, 8:20, 10:55
Yu-Gi-Oh (PG) 12:10, 2:20

AMC Kabuki 8
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Suspect Zero (R) 1:30, 5:45, 8, 10:35
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Bridge Theatre
3010 Geary Blvd., San Francisco 415-777-3456
Garden State (R) 11:30, 2, 4:30, 7, 9:30

Castro Theatre
429 Castro St., San Francisco 415-621-6210
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Clay Theatre
2261 Fillmore Street, San Francisco 415-777-3456
Intimate Strangers (R) 2, 4:30, 7, 9:30

Embarcadero Center Cinemas
1 Embarcadero Center, San Francisco 415-777-3456
Fahrenheit 9/11 (R) 1:20, 4:30, 7, 9:30
Maria Full of Grace (R) 12:10, 2:40, 5, 7:20, 9:40
Mean Creek (R) 12:20, 2:45, 4:50, 7:30, 10
Napoleon Dynamite (PG) 1:30, 4, 7:10, 9:50
We Do Live Here Anymore (R) 12, 2:30, 5:10, 7:40, 10

Lumiere Theatre
4172 California St., San Francisco 415-777-3456
Danny Deckchair (PG-13) 12, 4:45, 7:15, 9:30, 11:20
End of the Century: The Story of the Ramones (Not Rated) 1:45, 4:30, 7, 9:25
Forbidden Zone (R) 12
Uncovered: The War on Iraq (Not Rated) 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:45

Opera Plaza Cinema
601 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco 415-777-3456
Code 46 (R) 2, 4:45, 7:30, 9:50
Imagining Argentina (R) 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 9:40
Living Giants (PG-13) 1:35, 4:15, 7, 9:30
Standar (R) 1:25, 4, 6:45, 9:20

The Red Vic Theatre
1727 Haight, San Francisco 415-668-3994
Freestyle: The Art of Rhyme (Not Rated) 7:15, 9:15

The Roxie Theatre
3117 18th St., San Francisco 415-863-1087
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Loews Theatres Metreon
101 Fourth St., San Francisco 415-369-6201
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What the... Do We Know? (Not Rated) 12, 3, 8, 9, 11:40
Without a Paddle (PG-13) 12:50, 3:30, 5:50, 8:40, 11:30
Yu-Gi-Oh (PG) 11:40

Loews IMAX Theatre
101 Fourth Street, San Francisco 415-369-6201
Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban (PG) 10:30, 4:30
Spider-Man 2: The IMAX Experience (PG-13) 1:40, 7:50, 10:50

United Artists Galaxy 4
1285 Sutter St., San Francisco 415-744-8790
The Clearing (R) 1:40, 4:10, 7:10, 9:30
A Home at the End of the World (R) 1:30, 4:20, 7:20, 9:40
Metallica: Some Kind of Monster (Not Rated) 2, 5, 8
The Notebook (PG-13) 1:10, 4, 7, 9:45

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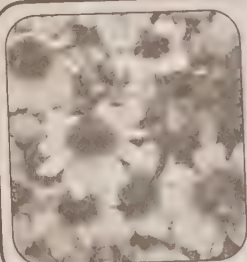
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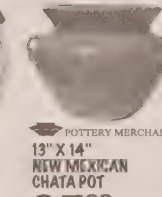
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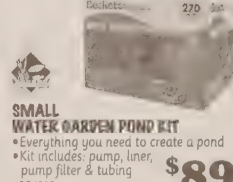
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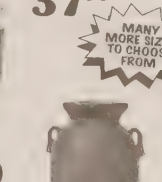
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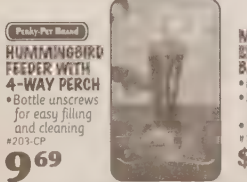
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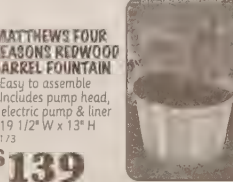
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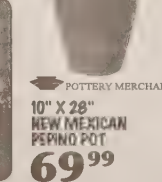
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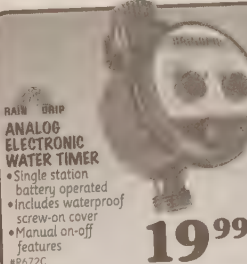
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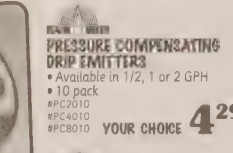
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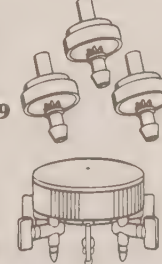
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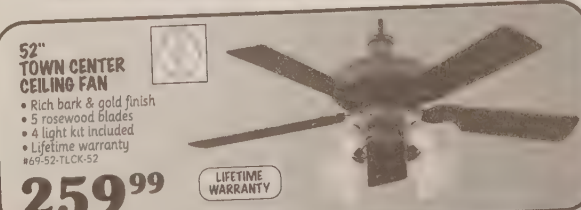


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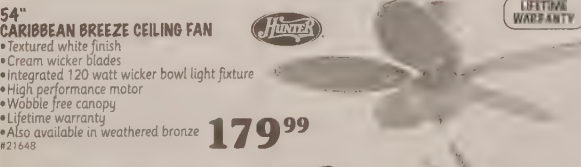


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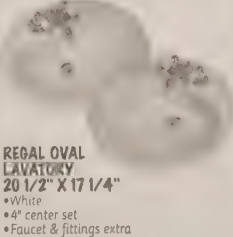


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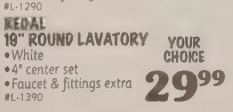


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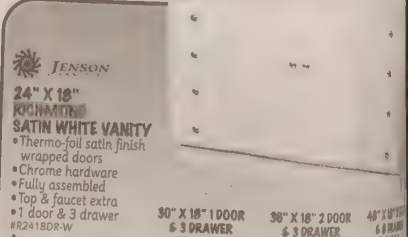
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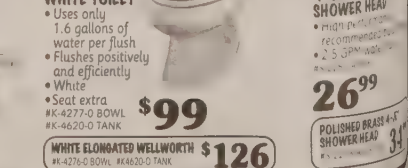
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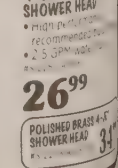


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"IT'LL BE LIKE slipping into a comfortable pair of shoes that just feel great," says Jim Campilongo of playing with the 10 Gallon Cats.

Cats, Campilongo back in old stomping ground

By Casey Mills
STAFF WRITER

Whoever said rap and rock would never get along probably said the same thing about country and jazz. And just as they didn't foresee "Walk This Way," they probably never thought there'd be a Jim Campilongo and the 10 Gallon Cats either.

The Cats, an instrumental band that used to wow Bay Area music fans with everything from electrified hoedowns to dirty jazzy dirges, will be reuniting in the East Bay after a four-year hiatus.

The band broke up after their string-searing frontman, Jim Campilongo, left for New York. Campilongo, who grew up in the Bay Area, went to pursue a career in jazz — a risky move, but one that has started to pay off. The Bammie-winner recently hooked up with renowned producer Russ Titelman, who has worked with everyone from Eric Clapton to Randy Newman. The two will begin work on a new album in the next few months.

However, for now, the big news for Campilongo is the Cats' reunion. He's looking forward to seeing his old friends and playing their old tunes in the comfortable confines of Albany's Ivy Room. He came up with the idea for the show after throwing on an old Cats album he hadn't listened to in a while.

"I usually don't listen to my own records," said Campilongo. "But I put that on, and I thought, 'Wow! This was a really great record!'"

When he found out a recording session would be bringing him back to the Bay Area, he called up his old bandmates and asked them if they'd be willing to brush up on the Cats' songs. They all agreed, as excited as he was not only to play together again, but to get a chance to catch up as friends.

"I feel kind of cheesy, like I'm on 'The Mike Douglas Show' or something," said Campilongo. "But these guys are my great pals. I've seen some of their kids grow up. I really miss them as people, aside from the chemistry of the band."

That chemistry is what many concertgoers will be looking for-

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ward to. During their five-year career, the band developed an inimitable style based on Campilongo's blazing guitar work backed by a rock-solid three-piece accompaniment that, especially with the help of Joe Goldmark's pedal-steel work, was able to provide each song with a distinct mood. The band also effortlessly melded two genres, often leaving a traditional boot-stomping country track in mid-song to explore a free jazz solo, only to return back to the song's roots in mid-stride.

The Cats will be trying to regain this chemistry onstage, despite not having a single rehearsal since the breakup. To some, this might sound like a nightmare — for Campilongo, it sounds like a good time.

"It'll be fun," said Campilongo. "I'm not worried. I know it's all just going to come right back. It'll be like slipping into a comfortable pair of shoes that just feel great."

For Campilongo, coming back to the Bay Area will also feel like slipping into something comfortable. He plans on visiting his parents while he's here and doing some of the things he wishes he could in New York — namely, eating as many burritos as he can find and making a trip or two to his beloved Trader Joe's.

A big-city musician who comes back to his old town and, instead of wanting to stay out late and carousing with the boys, can't wait to see his parents and go grocery shopping? Sounds like a contradiction in terms.

Of course, that's what they said about jazz and country.

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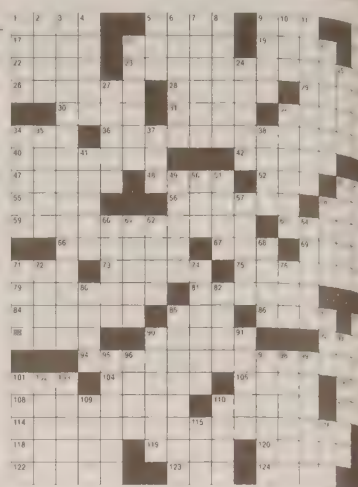
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"RIDING GIANTS": An homage to big-wave surfing by Stacy Peralta, who explored skateboarding in his previous documentary "Dogtown and Z-Boys." Here he visits the pioneers of the sport, the Mavericks on the Central California coast, and finally Hawaii, where Laird Hamilton et al. tackled the most giant waves of all. A bit gushy, but thrilling. — M. Pols. (PG-13; language.) 1 hour, 42 minutes. B

"SHE HATE ME": A belligerent little sex farce rolling inside an otherwise inconsequential lampoon of corporate America. Jack Armstrong (Anthony Mackie) is an executive who turns whistle-blower and winds up out of work. Then something surprising happens: Jack's gay ex-girlfriend Fatima (Kerry Washington) and her lover have a proposition for him. Soon Jack has an armada of gay women who pay him to get them pregnant. — W. Morris. (R; graphic sexuality/nudity, language, violence.) 2 hours. C+

"SPIDER-MAN 2": A rare sequel, just as nifty as its predecessor and blessed with some indescribably exhilarating moments. But along with the thrilling action, director Sam Raimi takes his Spidey (Tobey Maguire) to emotional depths. It's more romantic than the original, too (with Kirstin Dunst as the sexy-sweet love interest), plus it's got a sense of humor. — M. Pols. (PG-13; stylized action, violence.) 2 hours, 5 minutes. A-

"STANDER": Though he was per-

haps the most famous criminal in recent South African history, the Andre Stander of this film was obviously emotionally unstable well before he gave up law enforcement to embark on a series of spectacular bank robberies. Filmed in South Africa, the movie's style runs the gamut from an expertly tense township riot to wacky robbery disguises and bad 1970s hair. Thomas Jane plays Stander. — B. Strauss. (R; violence, nudity, language.) 1 hour, 51 minutes. B

"SUPER SIZE ME": This anti-junk-food documentary manages to entertain even as it informs and alarms. Filmmaker Morgan Spurlock — in excellent physical shape at the beginning of his film — sets out to investigate the health effects of an all-McDonald's diet. In just one month, he gains 25 pounds while his health plummets. Scary, yes, but Spurlock's light touch as a filmmaker, his eye and ear for irony, and his easy good humor lighten the disturbing statistics. — M. O'Sullivan. (Not rated.) 1 hour, 38 minutes. B-

"THE VILLAGE": Another twisted mystery from director M. Night Shyamalan. Residents of a remote 19th

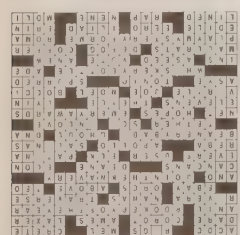
century village are terrorized by creatures that live in the surrounding woods. A young blind woman (Bryce Dallas Howard, director Ron's daughter) wants to brave the woods and get medicine from the nearby towns to save the life of her beloved (Joaquin Phoenix). The twist is easy to predict and the frights are at a minimum, but it's all skillfully rendered and Howard is a true find. With William Hurt, Sigourney Weaver and Adrien Brody as a very fine village idiot. — M. Pols. (PG-13; scene of violence, frightening situations.) 2 hours. B-

"WE DON'T LIVE HERE ANYMORE": Adapted from two novellas by Andre Dubus, this drama about marital woes is a uncomfortable four-way game of envy, longing and dissatisfaction. Jack Linden (Mark Ruffalo) is sleeping with Edith (Naomi Watts), who is married to Hank (Peter Krause), a writer who is Jack's colleague and best friend. Edith initiated the affair as revenge for Hank's earlier infidelities; and as a way of assuaging his own guilt, Jack nudges his wife, Terry (Laura Dern), into a dalliance with Hank. — A.O. Scott. (R; sex, strong language.) 1 hour, 43 minutes. B-

"WHAT THE #\$% DO": Marlee Matlin stars in this exploration of quantum physics mixes talking-head observations, giddy animation and a bit about a photographer dealing with a failed love. — B. (NR.) 1 hour, 10 minutes. B

"WITHOUT A PADDLE": Oregon for the lunatic friend, Jerry (Matthew Lillard) (Seth Green), and Tom (David) happen upon what can be a treasure map. — J. Boya. (PG-13; language, violence, smoking.) 1 hour, 39 minutes. C

"YU-GI-OH!": A 90-minute segment for the latest anime market, following Pegasus (Julie and Johnny) since dark, you won't be able to get dumber by the side of Moore. (PG; scary content, images.) 1 hour, 30 minutes. B-



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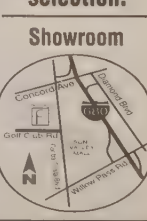
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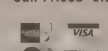
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CALIFORNIA SHAKESPEARE THEATER — "The Importance of Being Earnest" by Oscar Wilde, closing Sept. 5. A seriously funny romantic comedy.

\$27 to \$52 general; \$25 to \$52 seniors; \$13 to \$52 youths ages 4 to 16; \$10 "young and cheap" tickets for ages 30 and younger for Tuesday through Friday performances, day of performance only, Tuesday through Thursday, 7:30 p.m.; Friday, 8 p.m.; Saturday, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m.; Sunday 4 p.m. Bruns Memorial Amphitheater, 100 Gateway Blvd. (State Highway 24, Shakespeare Festival Way/Gateway Exit), Orinda. Free shuttle from the Orinda Bart Station 510-548-9666 or www.calshakes.org/510-548-9666 or www.calshakes.org.

CENTRAL WORKS THEATER ENSEMBLE — "The Mysterious Mr. Looney" by Gary Graves, closing Aug. 29. A play about a man who supposedly wrote the plays of Shakespeare, set in 1920 in the English countryside manor of a famed Shakespeare biographer.

\$8 to \$20, Thursday through Saturday, 8 p.m.; Sunday, 5 p.m. Berkeley City Club, 2315 Durant Ave., Berkeley. (510)558-1381 or www.centralworks.com

FREE SHAKESPEARE IN THE PARK 2004 — "Twelfth Night" by William Shakespeare, through Aug. 29. Shakespeare's comedy about unrequited passions and mistaken identity. The performances feature live music by an on-stage ensemble.

Free. Saturday and Sunday, 4 p.m. Duck Pond Meadow in Lakeside Park on Lake Merritt, Perkins Street and Grand Avenue, Oakland. www.shakes.org

LA VAL'S SUBTERRANEAN THEATER — "Fluffy Bunnies in a Field of Daisies" by Matt Chaffee, Aug. 27 through Oct. 2. A franky sexual and comedic look at misconceptions and game-playing between men and women.

\$15 general; \$10 students and seniors. Thursday through Saturday, 8 p.m. 1834 Euclid Ave., Berkeley. 510-464-4468 or www.impacttheatre.com

OAKLAND BOX THEATER — "The Oakland Poetry Slam," third Thursday, 8 p.m. to midnight. An open mic poetry and music event followed by a performance by touring poets of national acclaim. The night ends with a poetry slam in which poets compete

to get to the finals for a place on the Oakland Slam Team. 510-331-6665 \$5 to \$7. 1928 Telegraph Ave., Oakland. 510-451-1932 or www.oaklandbox.com

THE SAN FRANCISCO MIME TROUPE — "Showdown at Crawford Gulch" by Michael Gene Sullivan, Jason Sherbundy and Bruce Barthol, through Sept. 26. Intended to offer a parallel to modern conflicts, the Troupe presents the world premiere of an original fable about lies, greed and double-crossing in a dusty Texas town in 1886.

Aug. 28 and Aug. 29: Willard Park, Hillgass Avenue and Derby Street, Berkeley.

Free. Unless otherwise noted, live music at 1:30 p.m.; shows begin at 2 p.m. (415) 285-1717 or www.sfmt.org

SHOTGUN PLAYERS — "The Caucasian Chalk Circle" by Bertolt Brecht, closing Aug. 29. The story of two mothers who claim the same child. A decision must be made between a stranger who risked everything and the mother who abandoned her child and changed her mind.

Donation. Saturday and Sunday, 4 p.m. John Hinkel Park, Southampton Avenue, Berkeley. 510-841-6500 or www.shotgunplayers.org

WOODMINSTER AMPHITHEATER — "Flower Drum Song," Sept. 3 through Sept. 12. The Bay Area premiere of a David Henry Hwang adaptation of the classic musical by Rodgers and Hammerstein.

\$19 to \$31 general; \$17 to \$29 seniors and children ages 16 and under. Thursday through Sunday, 8 p.m. Joaquin Miller Park, 3300 Joaquin Miller Road, Oakland. 510-531-9597 or www.woodminster.com

POPULAR MUSIC

ALBATROSS PUB — Kugelplex, Sept. 4. 3. Whiskey Brothers, first, third and fifth Wednesdays. Free.

Unless otherwise noted, shows begin Wednesdays, 9 p.m.; Saturdays, 9:30 p.m. 1822 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley. 510-493-2473 or www.albatrosspub.com

ASHKENAZ — Dub Congress, Dub FX, Aug. 27, 9:30 p.m. \$13.

West African Highlife Band, Aug. 28, 9:30 p.m. \$13. Gerard Landry and the Lariats, Sept. 1, 8:30 p.m. \$9.

Tropical Vibrations, Sept. 3, 9:30 p.m. \$13

Native Elements, Sept. 4, 9:30 p.m. \$13

Wawa Sylvestre and the Oneness Kingdom, Sept. 5, 8 p.m. \$13.

1317 San Pablo Avenue, Berkeley. 510-525-0504 or www.ashkenaz.com

BECKETT'S IRISH PUB — Mundaze, Aug. 27.

Nicole, Aug. 28 and Sept. 4.

Nicole and the Sisters in Soul, Sept. 1

Connie and Friends, Sept. 2.

"Beckett's 1st Annual Battle of the Bands" with The Fated, The Skindivers, Thriving Ivory, Wally, Sept. 3, 8 p.m.

Free. For ages 21 and older. Music at 9:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

2271 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 510-647-1790 or

www.beckettsirishpub.com

BLAKE'S ON TELEGRAPH — KGB, Ashkon and the Sex, The Look, Aug. 27.

SLA, Bodies in the Basement, The Losing Streaks, The Husbands, Aug. 28. \$7

"Monday Night All Star Jam" with The Steve Gannon Band and Mz. Dee, Mondays. \$4.

"Acoustic Wednesday" with Mikie Lee Prasad and guests, 10 p.m. Free.

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2367 Telegraph Ave., Berkeley. 510-848-0886 or www.blakesontelegraph.com

COFFEE FOR THOUGHT — Ariel, first Friday of the month.

Skalawag, third Friday of the month.

Free. Shows begin at 8 p.m. unless noted otherwise. 1544 Webster St., Alameda. 510-769-4930 or www.coffeeforthought.net

DOWNTOWN RESTAURANT — Wayne Wallace, Aug. 27.

Deanna Witkowski with the Anton Schwartz Trio, Aug. 28.

Brian Melvin Trio, Sept. 3.

Sylvia and the Silvertones, Sept. 4.

Dick Conte, Tuesdays through August.

Jules Broussard, Ned Boynton and Bing Nathan, Wednesdays through September.

Gini Wilson Solo Piano, Thursdays through September.

Free. Music begins Tuesday and Wednesday, 8 p.m.; Thursday through Saturday, 9 p.m. unless noted otherwise.

2102 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 510-649-3810 or 510-597-0633

FREIGHT AND SALVAGE — Tom Rush, Aug. 27. \$20.50 to \$21.50.

"The Great Night of Rumi," Aug. 28. \$18.50 to \$19.50.

Peppino D'Agostino, Aug. 29. \$16.50 to \$17.50.

Music starts at 8 p.m. unless otherwise noted. 1111 Addison St., Berkeley.

510-548-1781, (866) 468-3399 or www.freightandsalvage.org

GREEK THEATRE — Jack Johnson, Aug. 27, 7 p.m. \$35.

O.A.R., Aug. 28, 8 p.m. \$30.

"Bob Marley Roots Rock Reggae Festival," Aug. 29, 1 p.m. \$35.50

UC Berkeley, Hearst Avenue and Gayley Road, Berkeley. 510-444-TIXS, (415) 421-TIXS, www.cc.com or www.ticketmaster.com

HISTORIC SWEET'S BALLROOM — "Friday Night Fish Fry," Aug. 27, 7 p.m. to midnight.

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LA PENNA CULTURAL CENTER — Bay World, Aug. 27, 8 p.m. \$10.

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PUBLIC NOTIFICATION PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

<p>Legal Notice</p> <p>NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES</p> <p>Date of Filing Application: JUNE 23, 2004</p> <p>To Whom It May Concern: The Name(s) of the Applicant(s) is/are: DAUNGKHAM SOUNGPHANG SOUVANH</p> <p>The applicants listed above are applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic beverages at: 2042 UNIVERSITY AVE. BERKELEY, CA. 94704</p> <p>Type of license(s) applied for: On-Sale Beer and Wine - Eating Place</p> <p>Legal Berkeley Voice #1121 Expires August 13, 20, 27, 2004</p>	<p>Legal Notice</p> <p>four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Protected Code Section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noted above.</p> <p>YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE 150) and the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code Section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.</p> <p>Attorney for Petitioner: Reece R. Halpern, Mettven & Associates, 2232 Sixth St., Berkeley, CA. 94710, 510-848-4051</p> <p>Legal Berkeley Voice #1451 Expires August 13, 20, 27, 2004</p>	<p>Legal Notice</p> <p>ness name or names listed.</p> <p>Expires: July 09, 2009 Legal Berkeley Voice #1445 Expires August 6, 13, 20, 27, 2004</p> <p>FILED AUGUST 16, 2004 STEPHEN L. WEIR, County Clerk CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FILE NO. 2004-1156</p> <p>NAMES STATEMENT The name of the business: PARK LAKE CLEANERS is located at 1572 Sycamore Ave. in Hercules, CA. 94547 is hereby registered to the following owner(s): Patrick Pak Chuen Long, 3106 Texas St., Oakland, CA. 94602, 510-468-1156</p> <p>FICTITIOUS BUSINESS This business is conducted by an individual /s/ Patrick Long. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa on date indicated by file stamp above.</p> <p>The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on August 16, 2004.</p> <p>Expires August 16, 2009 Legal Berkeley Voice #1444 Expires August 6, 13, 20, 27, 2004</p>	<p>Legal Notice</p> <p>ness under the fictitious business name or names listed above on August 11, 2004.</p> <p>Expires: August 11, 2009 Legal Berkeley Voice #1855 Expires August 13, 20, 27, 2004</p> <p>FILED DATE: JULY 09, 2004 PATRICK O'CONNELL, County Clerk ALAMEDA COUNTY FILE NO. 2004-10556</p> <p>NAMES STATEMENT The name of the business: BIRD'S EYE ANTIQUES is located at 375 Colusa Ave. #1 in Kensington, CA. 94707 is hereby registered to the following owner(s): Lee A. Wagner, 375 Colusa Ave. #1, Kensington, CA. 94707</p> <p>FICTITIOUS BUSINESS This business is conducted by an individual /s/ Lee A. Wagner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa on date indicated by file stamp above.</p> <p>The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on August 11, 2004.</p> <p>Expires: July 09, 2009 Legal Berkeley Voice #1855 Expires August 6, 13, 20, 27, 2004</p>	<p>Legal Notice</p> <p>business name or names listed above on July 1, 2004.</p> <p>Expires: July 29, 2009 Legal Berkeley Voice #1846 Expires August 13, 20, 27, 2004</p> <p>FILED JULY 19, 2004 STEPHEN L. WEIR, County Clerk CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FILE NO. 2004-6521</p> <p>NAMES STATEMENT The name of the business: ACACIA HOMES is located at 3478 Buskirk Ave. #1009 in Pleasant Hill, CA. 94523 is hereby registered to the following owner(s): Paula S. Sargent, 829 Deer Spring Circle, Concord, CA. 94521</p> <p>FICTITIOUS BUSINESS This business is conducted by an individual /s/ Paula S. Sargent. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa on date indicated by file stamp above.</p> <p>The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 1, 2004.</p> <p>Expires: July 29, 2009 Legal Berkeley Voice #1846 Expires August 6, 13, 20, 27, 2004</p>	<p>Legal Notice</p> <p>business name or names listed above on August 09, 2004.</p> <p>Expires: August 09, 2009 Legal Berkeley Voice #1853 Expires August 20, 27, 2004</p> <p>FILED AUGUST 04, 2004 STEPHEN L. WEIR, County Clerk CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FILE NO. 2004-6521</p> <p>NAMES STATEMENT The name of the business: APRIL DAWN DESIGN is located at 738 Liberty St. in El Cerrito, CA. 94530 is hereby registered to the following owner(s): Marla Sargent, 738 Liberty St., El Cerrito, CA. 94530</p> <p>FICTITIOUS BUSINESS This business is conducted by an individual /s/ Marla Sargent. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa on date indicated by file stamp above.</p> <p>The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on August 09, 2004.</p> <p>Expires: August 04, 2009 Legal Berkeley Voice #1853 Expires August 20, 27, 2004</p>	<p>Legal Notice</p> <p>FILED JULY 14, 2004 STEPHEN L. WEIR, County Clerk CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FILE NO. 2004-6521</p> <p>NAMES STATEMENT The name of the business: SWEET REFLECTIONS is located at 114 Marcus Ave. in Richmond, CA. 94801 is hereby registered to the following owner(s): Shawntee Crighton, 114 Marcus Ave., Richmond, CA. 94801</p> <p>FICTITIOUS BUSINESS This business is conducted by an individual /s/ Shawntee Crighton. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa on date indicated by file stamp above.</p> <p>The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 14, 2004.</p> <p>Expires: July 14, 2009 Legal Berkeley Voice #1840 Expires August 6, 13, 20, 27, 2004</p>	<p>Legal Notice</p> <p>SHIRLEY AULT 430 44th Richmond, CA. 94805</p> <p>SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA 725 Court Street Martinez, CA. 94553</p> <p>PETITION OF: SHIRLEY AULT FOR CHANGE OF NAME</p> <p>CASE NO. N04-1106 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME</p> <p>TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioner: SHIRLEY AULT has filed a petition with the Court for a decree changing her name. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 14, 2004.</p> <p>2. THE COURT ORDERS: In this matter shall appear before this court at the Courtroom of the Superior Court of Contra Costa County, California, on August 6, 13, 20, 27, 2004.</p> <p>NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: October 14, 2004. Time: 11:00 AM. Location: Room 215, located at 725 Court Street, Martinez, CA. 94553.</p> <p>(D) A copy of this order to show cause shall be published at least once each week prior to the date set for hearing on the petition for change of name in the following newspaper of general circulation: The El Cerrito Journal.</p> <p>JUDITH A. SANDERS JUDGE PRO TEM OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, California Expires: August 13, 2009 Legal Berkeley Voice #1859 Expires August 6, 13, 20, 27, 2004</p>	<p>Legal Notice</p> <p>BARRA J. MILLER JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA 725 Court Street Martinez, CA. 94553</p> <p>PETITION OF: BARRA J. MILLER FOR CHANGE OF NAME</p> <p>CASE NO. N04-1106 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME</p> <p>TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioner: BARRA J. MILLER has filed a petition with the Court for a decree changing her name. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 14, 2004.</p> <p>2. THE COURT ORDERS: In this matter shall appear before this court at the Courtroom of the Superior Court of Contra Costa County, California, on August 6, 13, 20, 27, 2004.</p> <p>NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: October 14, 2004. Time: 11:00 AM. Location: Room 215, located at 725 Court Street, Martinez, CA. 94553.</p> <p>(D) A copy of this order to show cause shall be published at least once each week prior to the date set for hearing on the petition for change of name in the following newspaper of general circulation: The El Cerrito Journal.</p> <p>JUDITH A. 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<p>Legal Notice</p> <p>NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: MURIEL C. FORMICHELLI aka MURIEL FORMICHELLI CASE NO. RP04168631</p> <p>To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and persons who may be interested in the estate of the decedent, the petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.</p> <p>The PETITIONER requests authority to administer the estate under the independent Administration of Estates Act. This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action. The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.</p> <p>A HEARING on the petition will be held on September 8, 2004 at 10:30 AM in Room 23, located at 1221 Oak St., Oakland, CA. 94612.</p> <p>If YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. If YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within</p>	<p>Legal Notice</p> <p>FILED JULY 13, 2004 STEPHEN L. WEIR, County Clerk CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FILE NO. 2004-6521</p> <p>NAMES STATEMENT The name of the business: ORINDA CHIROPRACTIC is located at 1301 Moraga Way in Orinda, CA. 94563 is hereby registered to the following owner(s): Orinda Chiropactic, 1301 Moraga Way, Orinda, CA. 94563</p> <p>FICTITIOUS BUSINESS This business is conducted by an individual /s/ Orinda Chiropactic. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa on date indicated by file stamp above.</p> <p>The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 13, 2004.</p> <p>Expires: July 13, 2009 Legal Berkeley Voice #1838 Expires August 6, 13, 20, 27, 2004</p>	<p>Legal Notice</p> <p>FILED AUGUST 12, 2004 STEPHEN L. WEIR, County Clerk CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FILE NO. 2004-6521</p> <p>NAMES STATEMENT The name of the business: LOVE MADE HEART is located at 208 Grizzly Peak Blvd in Kensington, CA. 94708 is hereby registered to the following owner(s): Robert Riutort, 208 Grizzly Peak Blvd., Oakland, CA. 94702</p> <p>FICTITIOUS BUSINESS This business is conducted by an individual /s/ Robert Riutort. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa on date indicated by file stamp above.</p> <p>The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on August 12, 2004.</p> <p>Expires: August 12, 2009 Legal Berkeley Voice #1851 Expires August 6, 13, 20, 27, 2004</p>	<p>Legal Notice</p> <p>FILED AUGUST 02, 2004 STEPHEN L. WEIR, County Clerk CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FILE NO. 2004-6521</p> <p>NAMES STATEMENT The name of the business: GENE ERICKSON PICTURE is located at 223 Colusa Ave. in El Cerrito, CA. 94530 is hereby registered to the following owner(s): Gene Erickson, 223 Colusa Ave., El Cerrito, CA. 94530</p> <p>FICTITIOUS BUSINESS This business is conducted by an individual /s/ Gene Erickson. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa on date indicated by file stamp above.</p> <p>The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on August 02, 2004.</p> <p>Expires: August 02, 2009 Legal Berkeley Voice #1851 Expires August 6, 13, 20, 27, 2004</p>	<p>Legal Notice</p> <p>FILED JULY 29, 2004 STEPHEN L. WEIR, County Clerk CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FILE NO. 2004-6521</p> <p>NAMES STATEMENT The name of the business: UNIQUE EUROPEAN SIGN is located at 5960 Wymann St. in Danville, CA. 94526 is hereby registered to the following owner(s): Hoang Van Do, 5960 Wymann St., Danville, CA. 94526</p> <p>FICTITIOUS BUSINESS This business is conducted by an individual /s/ Hoang Van Do. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa on date indicated by file stamp above.</p> <p>The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 29, 2004.</p> <p>Expires: July 29, 2009 Legal Berkeley Voice #1846 Expires August 6, 13, 20, 27, 2004</p>	<p>Legal Notice</p> <p>FILED JULY 29, 2004 STEPHEN L. WEIR, County Clerk CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FILE NO. 2004-6521</p> <p>NAMES STATEMENT The name of the business: IDEA SYNDICATE is located at 427 44th Street in El Cerrito, CA. 94530 is hereby registered to the following owner(s): Carly Noel, 427 44th Street, El Cerrito, CA. 94530</p> <p>FICTITIOUS BUSINESS This business is conducted by an individual /s/ Carly Noel. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa on date indicated by file stamp above.</p> <p>The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 29, 2004.</p> <p>Expires: July 29, 2009 Legal Berkeley Voice #1849 Expires August 6, 13, 20, 27, 2004</p>	<p>Legal Notice</p> <p>FILED JULY 29, 2004 STEPHEN L. 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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF NOMINEES FOR PUBLIC OFFICE CITY OF BERKELEY CANDIDATES AND BALLOT DESIGNATIONS FOR NOVEMBER 2, 2004 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that the following persons have been nominated for the following offices to be filled at the General Municipal Election to be held on November 2, 2004:

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 2

Darryl Moore
Budget Analyst

Sharon A. Kidd
Director/Public Relations

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 3

Laura Menard
Community Volunteer

Max Anderson
Registered Nurse

Jeff Benefiel
Jeweler

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 5

Barbara Gilbert
Community Volunteer

Laurie Capitelli
Businessman/Zoning Commissioner

Jesse Townley
Sales Manager

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 6

Betty Olds
Incumbent

Norine Smith
Retired Software Consultant

RENT STABILIZATION BOARD

Seth Morris
Law Student

Jason Overman
Tenants Rights Director

Jack Harrison
Attorney

Eleanor Walden
Health Care Advocate

Jesse Arreguin
Housing Commissioner

SCHOOL BOARD DIRECTOR

Merrilee Mitchell
Community Volunteer

Kalima Rose
Social Policy Director

Joaquin Rivera
School Director/Professor

Karen Hemphill
City Clerk/Administrator

John T. Selawsky
School Board

Sherry M. Kelly
City Clerk

City of Berkeley

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 21700 THROUGH 21716 OF THE BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE, THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL PROPERTY WILL BE PUBLICLY SOLD BY COMPETITIVE BIDDING ON THE 9TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2004 AT 2:00 P.M. AT SHATTUCK AVENUE, BERKELEY, CA. THE FOLLOWING DELINQUENT TENANTS POSSESSORS DESCRIBED IN MISCELLANEOUS JUDICIAL SALES OF HOUSEHOLD ITEMS, TOOLS, SHOP ITEMS, AND BOXES (CONTENTS UNKNOWN).

01. ANN SHELTON	G-40	\$435.00
02. DORIS MORRIS	M-20	\$535.00
03. MANUEL CESAR	M-113	\$425.00
04. DORIS MORRIS	M-20	\$450.00
05. EDITH RENTSCHLER	A-369	\$624.00
06. ANITA SHAPIRO	A-369	\$624.00
07. ROBERT GRAY	V-10	\$505.00

PURCHASES MUST BE PAID FOR AT THE TIME OF PURCHASE IN CASH ONLY. ALL PURCHASED GOODS SOLD AS IS, AND MUST BE REMOVED AT THE TIME OF SALE.

AUCTIONEER: ED BROWN BOND #14663730024

Legal Berkeley Voice #1457
Expires August 27, September 3, 2004.

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Legal Berkeley Voice #1453
Expires August 20, 27, September 3, 2004.

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Opera another musical avenue for Byrne

Andrew Gilbert
BYRNE ISN'T the first musician one might associate with Talking Heads frontman David Byrne. The new album would probably rank him with polka and zydeco influences that have taken their way into his voracious palette — far below the samba and the various styles that he introduced to U.S. audiences through the popular comedy on his Luaka Bop label. Byrne's latest album, "Grown Backwards," his debut on the new Nonesuch label, indeed features the band's most recent recording, a Bizet-style aria that I heard through occasionally. Byrne's most recent recording, a Bizet-style aria that I heard through occasionally. Byrne's most recent recording, a Bizet-style aria that I heard through occasionally.



"I REALIZED THERE'S an incredible variety of things that strings can do, like any other instrument," said David Byrne, whose latest album is titled "Grown Backwards."

PREVIEW

- WHO: David Byrne
- WHEN: 8 tonight
- WHERE: Zellerbach Hall, Bancroft Way at Telegraph Avenue, UC Berkeley
- HOW MUCH: \$45
- CONTACT: 925-685-8497, www.ticketmaster.com

slightly different way. It can be a slightly different kind of emotional or psychological catharsis. I enjoy that in other people's songs; I thought maybe I can bring that to some of my own stuff."

On new songs including "Glass, Concrete & Stone," "Civilization" and "Astronaut," which features Pamela Kurstin on theremin, Byrne is at his best, combining his wide-eyed look at contemporary life with his oddly affecting crooning. In embracing his inner songbird, Byrne gave free rein to his considerable gifts as a tunesmith. Working with arranger Stephen Barber and the Austin-based Tosca Strings, a sextet that's accompanying him on this tour, Byrne is both exploring material from the Heads book, while delivering his lively, often terrifically catchy new songs.

"Grown Backwards" is particularly successful in the way Byrne has created highly textured arrangements, the culmi-

nation of years of experimenting with strings. Avoiding the numerous pop-music clichés that threaten diabetics whenever strings appear, Byrne and Barber incorporate the group's three violins, two cellos and viola as part of the band, which also features Byrne's longtime collaborator, Brazilian percussionist Mauro Refosco, bassist Paul Frazier and, on the tour, drummer Graham Hawthorne.

"I realized there's an incredible variety of things that strings can do, like any other instrument," Byrne said. "They can play things that really rock out, or things that are incredibly heart-wrenching. They can work with percussion. They can take the place of guitars and keyboards, instead of being this wash of syrup that gets poured on top of them."

Much of the album's rhythmic sinew flows from Refosco, who effortlessly distills many of the Afro-Brazilian grooves that have found their way into Byrne's music in recent years. But while his feelings about Brazilian music are unconflicted, Byrne describes his Talking Heads repertoire in decidedly ambivalent terms. ("It's kind of a confused relationship," he says.) Both as a matter of pride and as a means of pleasing fans, he includes more than half-a-dozen songs from the Heads book in each show, though he doesn't hesitate to rework them. The point isn't to make them un-

recognizable, a la Bob Dylan's frequent treatment of his hits. Rather, Byrne interprets the old tunes through the lens of his latest project.

"I'm aware that some of them are real crowd-pleasers, as they should be," Byrne says. "But I'm also aware that if I do too many of them, I become an oldies act. I think people expect me to mix things up, and do something new. Now we have a couple of Talking Heads songs that have string arrangements. 'Psycho Killer' sounds more scary with strings than it ever did with a band."

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Joel Schlader, son of and James, is delighted updated version. "The whole thing is he offensive things and them around," he says script. Schlader feels Wang has put the jokes hands of the Chinese in their dialogue, makes them "in on the Drum Song" depicts woman who flees Com China in the late 1950s, to San Francisco's Chi. The Hwang retelling of leaves all the Rogers Bernstein lyrics intact, to the themes of C.Y. cultural assimilation, differences, the im- Schlader, co-founder producers Associates Inc., profit that runs the Wood- musicals, agrees with and, she has rustled up various vintage costumes to a Chinese strip- San Francisco. "Beaded they're museum qual- can't even fold them," the. The produc- the Woodminster community and eq- a stunning fan dance such as "I Enjoy Being musical stars Oakland

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BILL MANN
Multimedia Notes

TV crime buffs can see double

THE NATIONAL NIELSEN TV ratings and those in the Bay Area don't usually match up — often, far from it. For example, during most of this summer (before NBC's Olympics, that is), CBS' "60 Minutes" was the top-ranked show here most weeks. But the durable magazine show doesn't do as well nationally.

The top two shows in most of the country in recent weeks, on the other hand, have been CBS' "CSI" (No. 1) and "CSI: Miami." You can just hear the crime-scene shows' producer, schlockmeister Jerry Bruckheimer ("Top Gun," "Pearl Harbor") salivating as he envisions future syndication revenues.

But "CSI," TV's top-rated drama last season, has also been the second-rated show here in the Bay Area this summer. And "CSI: Miami" is usually somewhere around 12th place, a strong showing. Readers who don't normally watch crime shows often tell me, somewhat sheepishly sometimes, they've become "CSI" junkies.

"CSI" is becoming TV's next big franchise, after NBC's "Law and Order," which will introduce a fourth NBC series next month.

A third "Crime Scene Investigation" show, "CSI: New York," premieres on Channel 5 in mid-September. Says KPIX program chief Tom Spitz: "CSI" and "CSI: Miami" are dominant programs both nationally and in the Bay Area. "CSI: New York" will likely enjoy the same popularity."

No doubt. I've seen the premiere of "CSI: New York," and its star, Gary Sinise, is predictably strong.

Bruckheimer leaves nothing to chance: The Sept. 22 premiere of "New York" begins with "CSI: Miami's" opening credits and cast, until about halfway through, when Sinise and company appear.

Viewers of the "New York" pilot next month will get the unusual sight of laconic "CSI: Miami" star David Caruso's return to New York City as a TV crime-fighter. You may recall that it was Caruso's ill-advised departure from "NYPD Blue" after that hit ABC cop series' rookie season to do movies that nearly killed the redheaded actor's career — until "CSI: Miami" surfaced.

In the two "CSI" series, it's mostly the technicians and not detectives who engage in gun-fights, investigations, crowd control. It's all a bit silly. But in the "CSI" shows, the real stars are the equipment — mass spectrometers, DNA sequencers, fingerprint illuminators and database computers. Even scientists charge that one of the "CSI" shows' main flaws is that all its science is above reproach.

Lawyers and judges are now complaining about what's being called "the CSI effect." So many people are watching Bruckheimer's silly shows that in Massachusetts, for example, prosecutors have begun asking judges' permission to question prospective jurors about their TV-watching habits. College officials report the number of students majoring in forensic sciences has jumped recently.

I cringe every time I hear dialogue like "drains are the conscience of the city." It's Bruckheimer at his predictable worst — whiz-bang science for the masses.

MEDIA NOTES: KCBS Radio's senior news anchor, Steve Little, admits that his commute — from the San Francisco station all the way up to his house near Healdsburg — has taken a toll the last five years. To say nothing of the hours, 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. So capable newsmen Little has cut back, and is now news-anchoring weekends only.

"The Daily Show's" coverage of the GOP convention on Comedy Central at 11 p.m. ("InDecision '04") next week will be, just as it was during the Dems' confab, indispensable. So why will it be a day late, as it was in Boston? It takes time after convention events to write quality comedy material.

Questions? Comments? e-mail Bill: Newsman@sonic.net.



WITH NICHOLAS NAKASHIMA leading as the head of the dragon, dancers Lily Felder, Krista Yu and others trail in a dance step as the body of the dragon as they rehearse "Flower Drum Song," Woodminster's last show of the summer.

Outdoor theater is for families

■ Final musical of the season for Woodminster is updated version of a Rodgers, Hammerstein's "Flower Drum Song"

By Suzanne LaFetra
CORRESPONDENT

"Anybody who ever came to this theater on a night like tonight, would definitely come back," says Joel Schlader, director of Woodminster Amphitheater's "Flower Drum Song," which opens Sept. 3, the final musical of the season.

And it's easy to see why. Ringed by the lush Joaquin Miller Park, the Woodminster Amphitheater is a WPA-era, art-deco gem. On a clear summer evening, theatergoers can bring a picnic dinner, watch the sun melt over the Bay and enjoy a night of musical theater. Harriet and Jim Schlader have been running the summer productions for 38 years, and their son Joel is directing this production.

The Schladers have made sure that Woodminster is a place for families. Woodminster's public relations director Kathy Kahn says that three generations of Bay Area theatergoers have enjoyed Woodminster's productions.

"People talk about how they remember when they first came here, they would fall asleep lis-



CHOREOGRAPHER JODY JARON instructs dancers on a routine.

tening to the music, and then as they got older, they started paying attention to the shows, and now they're bringing their own kids here," she says. The outdoor setting is perfect for families; kids can run around in the park or cozy up in a blanket.

Says Joel Schlader, "If you have a baby, you can still see the show and you won't disturb anyone." And he should know — he's got a two-week-old baby girl.

Kathy Kahn is a self-proclaimed "Oakland convert," and she calls Woodminster "a very special Oakland place." She says it's a relatively undiscovered arts

resource in Oakland. "There are many long-time, faithful audience members," she says, and Kahn is hoping that "Flower Drum Song" will introduce even more Bay Area residents to the theater.

The Schladers run the nonprofit theater with an eye on serving the community. It sells more individual tickets annually than any other resident Oakland performance group. The organization has a program called "Kids Come Free," and for their most recent show, "Annie," 1,001 children attended a performance for free. "For many, it's their first live theater," says Kahn.

Woodminster's final produc-

IF YOU GO

WHAT: Flower Drum Song at Woodminster Amphitheater
WHEN: Sept. 3-5 and 10-12 at 8 p.m.
WHERE: Woodminster Amphitheater, Joaquin Miller Park 3300 Joaquin Miller Road, Oakland
HOW MUCH: \$19-31, \$2 discount for children and seniors
INFORMATION: 510-531-9597 or www.woodminster.com

tion of the season is a Bay Area premiere of David Henry Hwang's "Flower Drum Song." Originally based on a 1957 novel by C.Y. Lee, "Flower Drum Song" opened in 1958, the first Broadway show with an all-Asian cast.

Hwang is a Tony Award-winning playwright, and decided to update "Flower Drum Song." He says that the original show was very daring for its time but feels like a tourist's-eye view of Chinatown, as opposed to something viewed from the inside out.

Kahn agrees that the original show had some problems. "It's kind of fallen out of favor in recent years because it was kind of clumsy in the handling of the Asian personalities," Hwang's 2002 version "honors the original show, but brought it into the 21st century," she says.

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27 authors raise funds for state arts group

By Robert Taylor
STAFF WRITER

Gerald Haslam was a soft touch when an editor asked him to contribute without pay to a book of travel essays that would raise money for the budget-drained California Arts Council.

"I would have sold books out on the corner for them, even without my work in it," said the Sonoma County author, who once received an Arts Council grant. Haslam wrote "Almost Home" for the collection, the story of a trip to the Kern County town of Oildale where he grew up.

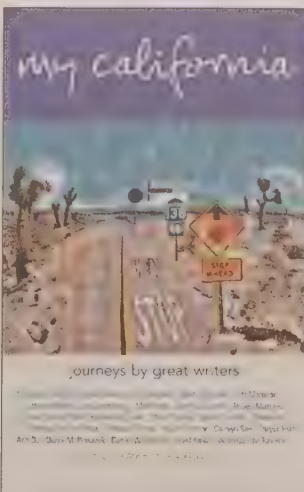
The account of that journey — including a spectacular sunset caused by air pollution — is typical of the essays that avoid Golden State clichés in "My California," edited by Donna Wares and published by Angel City Press of Santa Monica.

It's a success so far — the 5,000-copy first edition is nearly sold out — and will generate thousands of dollars for the California Arts Council. A second edition is likely.

The state agency's budget was cut severely last year and again this year. About \$700,000 was pulled from the council's usual operating expenses, used to help support nonprofit arts groups around the state, according to interim director Juan Carrillo.

For the first edition of "My California," released in June, even the printers donated their services, meaning the publisher's share of the \$16.95 sale price could go entirely to the Arts Council. Usually, about half the purchase price is returned to the publisher, so that could translate to more than \$40,000 from the first edition.

It's a surprising windfall. "Gifts to the California Arts Council are pretty rare," Carrillo said. "When I first read the letter offering us all revenues from the book, I said, 'What's the catch?'"



Angel City Press publisher Paddy Calistro and editor Wares, friends who once worked at the Los Angeles Times, came up with the plan last fall, when state budget cutbacks were devastating arts funding.

"We first toyed with the idea of individual donations, but that seemed so inadequate," Calistro said. "Then we thought, why don't we do a book?"

They networked through a Who's Who of California authors, and eventually 27 contributed to "My California."

Michael Chabon, in an essay that first appeared in Gourmet magazine, writes about Berkeley: "Where passion is mar-

READ IT

■ "My California," edited by Donna Wares, 208 pages, \$16.95, is available at bookstores or through www.CaliforniaAuthors.com or the California Arts Council, www.cac.ca.gov.

ried to intelligence, you may find genius, neurosis, madness or rapture."

Poet devorah major recalls San Francisco's Playland-at-the-Beach in "Cotton Candy Mirrors." Anh Do describes Orange County's Vietnamese community in "My Little Saigon."

Wares is gratified that so many first-rate writers donated their work to help raise money for the Arts Council.

"The book is really about the California literary community coming together to call attention to the arts — and saying that they have to be a priority," she said. "Most people don't understand that in California's budget crisis, the arts have been a major casualty." Currently, she notes, the state spends 3 cents per capita on support for the arts.

Profits from the book will not finance the Arts Council's usual art, music and dance programs. Instead, it might help set up a new program such as the California Poets in the Schools project, which once received the Arts Council's largest grant. Or it could be seed money to get a new literacy program on its feet.

"I'm looking for a new way to use this money," Carrillo said. "It could bring writers together with young people in any number of ways — in community settings, in schools, or with libraries as partners."

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Dreams true on stage

FAIRYTALES are a staple of the stage. But for Mary Zimmerman, Secret in the Wing is a Berkeley Rep's Sept. 8. Preview

This staging of tales, retold to immerse the audience in the realm of fairy tales, helps to explain the

"I've always loved tales," the playwright thinks they perhaps theater rather than way around. As a wanted to invent a that could record a so I could watch the morning ... The chine. I can make come to life and around inside the

"The Secret in the Wing" is directed by Zimmerman at the Rep's Rockwood Addition St., Berkeley, Oct. 17. Call 510-468-8800 toll-free at 888-488-8800

Next Friday, Sept. 10, the Rep's Secret in the Wing, a special performance for Bay Area teens, will preview the Secret in the Wing. The playwright and take part in the scenes discussed. member of the American Teen Night takes place at the New Education Center, Addition St., Berkeley, to the theater.

Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$2 for teens. For reservation information, call 510-468-8800 or e-mail school@secretinthewing.org

AURORA THEATRE BACK: Aurora Theatre Company opens its 13th season with "Aeschylus' Oresteia," the Greek first-hand account of wars, written 2500 years ago and the earliest surviving Western literary history instead of being

Barbara Oliver, founder, is directing the telling of the story and playwright Candice Lin. (You may recall the original "Angels in America") in America.)

Previews are Sept. 8 at 8 p.m. and Sept. 9 only. Plays Wednesday days at 8 p.m., Sunday and 7 p.m., through

Aeschylus was a playwright to add a creating dramatic performances that had been little more than oratorical. reduced costumes, and probably the colorful thick-soled shoes

formers appear heroic. Early

Aurora Theatre, Addition St., Berkeley, 843-4822 or visit www.aurora-theatre.org

OLD DRUM "Flower Drum Song" and neglected Americanism outgrows the types of the 1950s. Woodminster's 38th consecutive new version opens

Plays at 8 p.m. at Woodminster Amphitheater, Joaquin Miller Park, Oakland. Tickets are \$19-31, \$2 discount for seniors and children. Call 510-531-9597

David Henry Hwang's "Butterfly" is a story of a boy in the 1950s, a confession in the music and Hammerstein's 1958 hit. However, he says, the story is "a bit of a view of (San Francisco) as opposed to the inside

The new version honors the original return to the Hwang's 1957 best-selling novel, a simulation, and become authentic without adhering

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Section D

By SCHULDINER
Down the Road

hybrid pickups save fuel

These car makers have
into the hybrid car race led
Honda and Toyota. The re-
has been enthusiastic. De-
the Japanese hybrid elec-
has far outstripped
They mainly appeal to
untested buyers, but unques-
burn far less gas than a
normal vehicle.

General Motors is the first U.S.
manufacturer to hit the mar-
a hybrid pickup truck. GM
d versions of both the
Silverado and GMC Sierra
trucks. These are normally
guzzlers, but GM claims
hybrids are about 10 per-
cent fuel efficient than their
gasoline counterparts.

There's a substantial difference
in hybrid engineering com-
pared to the hybrid Japanese cars
with a small engine to generate
power. This engine constantly
recharges the battery when the ve-
hicle is at highway speeds.

Even though the trucks
have an electric motor, it's
not like that in other sedans as
the entire compartment is sur-
rounded with comforts. Even limousines
don't contain the thoughtfulness
that is in the XJ.

My tester was the top-of-the-line
XJ, the SV8 Vanden Plas model



FROM FRONT TO REAR: When Jaguar designed the long wheelbase, 5 inches were added to benefit the rear seat passengers. Even limousines don't contain the thoughtfulness that is in the XJ.

Long wheelbase Jaguar benefits rear seat passengers

This is a twofold report on the
all-new 2005 Jaguar XJ long wheel-
base sedan. First are my impres-
sions as a backseat passenger,
then as the driver.

When Jaguar designed the long
wheelbase, five additional inches
were added to benefit the rear seat
passengers. This area of the car is
not like that in other sedans as the
entire compartment is surrounded
with comforts. Even limousines
don't contain the thoughtfulness
that is in the XJ.

My tester was the top-of-the-line
XJ, the SV8 Vanden Plas model

costing \$89,995. The long wheel-
base XJ cars begin at \$63,495, but
since Jaguar is synonymous with
luxury, I zeroed in on the SV8, which
is loaded with extravagance. That
stated, let's get back to the back-
seat.

The rear seats can carry only
two passengers because of a con-
sole between them. But each per-
son is surrounded with personal
comforts, such as upholstered
leather power-adjustable heated
seats. If I wanted to work on my
computer, I had a folding tray. Or if
my interest was watching a DVD,

TOM KEANE
Keane on Wheels

the screen was directly in front of
me — the other passenger also had
a screen.

I've never seen any rear seat
with so many thoughtful features.
Even the assist handles over the
door cushion back into place qui-
etly. However, on some roads, the
sound of the tires was noisier than
expected. Before driving, I walked
around the car absorbing its dis-

tinctive appearance. The additional
length gave elements of Jaguar's
design of old, a style that women
found unexplainably attractive.

Those noisy tires, rotating on 19-
inch wheels, proved their worth as
I drove the car extremely hard
through a slalom course set up to
prove the Jag's capabilities. But first,
I became acquainted with the SV8
by driving more than 100 miles over
rural roads, feeling the powerful en-
gine's response to the dictates of
my foot and hands.

The supercharged V-8 produces
390 horsepower linked to a six-

speed automatic transmission. The
speed-sensitive steering is easy to
turn the wheel at low speed, such
as when parking, but provides
firmer control when driving at higher
speed. Even though this is a "long"
sedan, it handles more like a mid-
size sedan with its short 39-foot
turning radius.

The braking system has an ac-
tive booster. It also contains all the
latest safety features, including side
curtain airbags and Dynamic Sta-
bility Control. As expected of cars

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Rydlun and his '34 Bentley crossed the Continental Divide six times

Rod Rye found a right-hand-drive 1934 Bentley that had been imported to the United States after World War II by a doctor who permanently parked the car after only two years of use.

After languishing for 17 years in a garage, the vehicle was exhumed by a broker in antique automobiles and was soon in the capable hands of Rydlun, who believes in driving his cars. He has no room for garage or trailer queens.

His first foray was an excursion to the West where he proudly says, "We crossed the Continental Divide six times." People and cars were gasping for air at that altitude but the Bentley's two S.U. carburetors performed flawlessly.

The coachwork is by Mann-Egerton and features a sliding sunroof. The 14.5-foot-long saloon is 5.75 feet wide and rides on a 126-inch wheelbase.

The track of the front wheels, originally shod with 5.50 x 18-inch tires, is 4.66 feet, which permits a turning circle to the right of 40 feet, 11 inches and to the left of 39 feet, 7 inches. "It has a really good turning radius and can be turned around on a four-lane road," Rydlun says.

The 1934 price of the chassis was \$1,325 (British), Rydlun says, and the coachwork was an additional 975 pounds, which he estimates to be about \$12,000, quite a princely sum for an automobile during the world-wide Great Depression.

The inline six-cylinder engine drinks from an 18-imperial gallon gasoline tank and is kept cool by the three imperial gallons of coolant circulating, in addition to the 24 louvers on each side of the engine hood and the 16 movable vanes in the radiator shell.

The durable engine was rebuilt in 1989 and the springs were re-arched in 1996. The subtle three-tone silver combination was repainted two years later. The fenders are a dark oyster silver, and red pinstripes accentuate the lines of the car.

"It's a nice, cool-running car," Rydlun comments. "It's got great cabin ventilation." The one-piece windshield opens at the bottom to admit fresh air into the cabin.

VERN PARKER Classic Classics

All four doors have a 2-inch fixed strip of glass that overlays the movable window in each door. When the window is lowered less than 2 inches, fresh air is drawn into the cabin but any rain is kept at bay. "They allow ventilation in the hardest rain," he remarks.

On each side of the car, from that slender strip of metal between the front and rear doors, a lighted semaphore arm springs out to indicate the driver's intention to turn. The 100-mph speedometer is set in the solid mahogany dashboard. "I've had it up to 93 freewheeling in West Virginia," Rydlun says. "It doesn't complain. It's the best thing in the world for it," he says.

The tachometer redlines at 4,500 rpm. The odometer in 1985 had registered 47,000 miles and in 2004 the instrument shows 107,000 miles.

During the summer, Rydlun and his Bentley will make an 8,000-mile odyssey roughly following the Lewis and Clark expedition's trail to the Pacific Ocean at the Washington/Oregon border. From there he plans to follow the coast down to Monterey, Calif. After that, it's back home to Potomac, Md. via the Grand Canyon and Yosemite National Park. "I'm a shun piker," he confesses. "Every chance I get, I go on rural roads."

That 70-year-old engine is going to have to climb that Continental Divide again.

With license plates carrying the letters "BULK" Rydlun affectionately calls his well-traveled 1934 Bentley "Hannibulk" because it so readily crosses the mountains.

For your car to become the subject of the Classic Classics column, send a photo (frontal 3/4 view) plus brief details and phone number to: Vern Parker, 2221 Abbottsford Drive, Vienna, VA 22181. Only photos of good quality will be considered.



HAVING NO ROOM for garage or trailer queens, Rydlun drives his cars. His first foray with the Bentley was an excursion where he proudly says, "We crossed the Continental Divide six times."

Keane

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in this price category, the amenities available to the driver are numerous and convenient. The center console has a navigational screen that provides precise directions both in the city and on rural roads. A 350-watt AM/FM/CD Alpine sound system delivers enjoyable listening, but the real enjoyable sound comes under hard acceleration.

I had opportunities to drive this Jaguar hard on the best slalom course I've ever driven. It was set up to prove the capabilities of the engine and brakes. Jackie Stewart,

the famous racecar driver, introduced me to the slalom. He put the car through its paces with extreme hard acceleration, braking and zigzagging through the cones. It was here that the tires and brakes were given a grueling test.

Then came my turn. After a couple practice runs, I then was timed from start to finish. I didn't set any record nor did I knock over any cones, but I walked away convinced that this Jaguar doesn't have to take a backseat to the best performing cars other manufacturers might offer.

On the other hand, when it comes to back seats, other manufacturers' cars don't begin to compare with this one.

JAGUAR XJ SV8

Vehicle Type Four-passenger, four-door, RWD

Suggested Retail	
Price as Tested	
Engine Type	V8 Supercharged DOHC 32-valve
Horsepower	300 hp
Torque	300 lb-ft
Transmission	6-speed automatic
Wheelbase	
Height	
Curb Weight	
Fuel Capacity	
Mileage	City/Highway

Road

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stopped. After restarting the engine, the electric motor will not launch the vehicle.

"We're not trying to shove a 5,000-pound truck on pure electric power," says Stephen Poulos, chief engineer for mild hybrid systems. "It doesn't make sense to run down the freeway electrically."

"This is a hybrid with a twist," says Tom Stephens, group vice president of GM Powertrain. "Unlike our competitors, who are looking to use the electric motor as a power assist on a small powertrain and giving up some utility to accomplish that, we give you all the acceleration, towing and hauling capability you've come to expect by using a truck V8 engine."

"We believe hybrids are going to make the most sense in higher fuel consumption vehicles, and that includes pickup trucks," Stephens says. "If you do the math, you can see that we can actually save significantly more fuel converting a 20-mpg vehicle into a hybrid than a 30-mpg vehicle, especially if it's a vehicle that sells in high volumes, not a niche vehicle."

The hybrid pickups are built on the GMT 800 platform that's also used for full-size SUVs like the Escalade, Suburban and Tahoe. About 1.6 million vehicles are assembled on this platform annually.

Poulos says GM may use a strong hybrid system for its next generation trucks that would allow them to operate solely on electric power in certain driving situations. But pickups require huge amounts of torque that an electric motor could not provide in present hybrid systems. The torque is needed to tow boats, haul a big load of cargo and climb steep grades. That's what a V8 does best.

During a one-week, 400-mile test of a GMC Sierra hybrid pickup, I found very little difference in the driving experience compared to a conventionally powered truck. There was a noticeable lag when I accelerated from a stop and the engine was stopped; but it seemed to be milliseconds, not a long stretched out pause before the engine restarted as I pressed down on the accelerator.

Fuel economy, as measured by the on-board computer in my test vehicle, came to 17 mpg. Poulos says that during tests by GM engineers, the hybrid truck got about 10 percent better fuel economy than a standard vehicle.

A convenient feature on the hybrid truck is a pair of 120-volt outlets that can be used to power electric tools or campground electric appliances. You activate this by pushing a button on the instrument panel. This allows you to run the engine at idle even though the vehicle is standing still.

The engine will act like a generator, putting out enough power to run a household for 32 hours if the utility power fails. And you don't have to worry about the truck running out of gas while you're doing that.

After the 32 hours, the vehicle's horn will beep, notifying you that it has finished its generating mode. It will also leave a couple of gallons in the tank, enough to get you to a gas station before the tank is empty.

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Dear Doctor: My 2003 Volvo S60 with all-wheel drive has 5,200 miles. My problems are a rattle while driving (not just over bumps), poor gas mileage (13 miles per gallon), and water that collects in the ridge around the trunk after I take the car through a car wash. — Stan

Dear Stan: Your all-wheel drive Volvo needs to be driven more than 5,200 miles in a year. Plus,

I hope you park it in a garage and not just sit it outside in the elements. The suspension noise could be a runner sway bar bushing or sway bar link. Your gas mileage for the limited driving sounds normal. The design of many vehicles causes water to collect and run down the trunk ridge.

I do not think there are any major problems with your car — other than it is not being driven enough. If you have a neighbor, relative or friend who can drive the car weekly and on an occasional trip, this would be the best thing for the car.

Dear Doctor: I own a 1997 Ford Taurus purchased new. Current mileage is 150,000. My daughter will be getting her license in less than two years. I am getting a new car this fall and want to save this one for her. I live in Illinois. What would be the best way to save the car till she gets her license? — Elaine

Dear Elaine: Leaving a vehicle sit for a year or more in the weather creates many problems, especially on an older vehicle. If you want to save the car, leave it registered and drive it weekly. The other choice is to rent a dry garage to store the car.

Dear Doctor: Is it safe to use fuel stabilizer in new cars with catalytic converters? — Putman

Dear Putman: Check with the particular brand of fuel stabilizer for the recommendation of its usage. I use it in my vehicles that sit over the winter, including snow blowers, lawn mowers, golf cart, etc. I have made a practice of doubling the recommendations without ever having any problems.

Dear Doctor: I own a 1995 Ford F-150 pickup. I replaced the original battery in October 2003. Prior to the battery replacement there was never a problem with the battery going dead. I went on vacation for two weeks and came back to find a dead battery. I went back to the battery store and the clerk upgraded the battery to a better, more powerful battery. I took another trip out of town and again the battery was dead.

I went to my local shop and had the battery and charging system checked. I was told there was nothing wrong. I know something is wrong, or the battery would not go dead. — Paul

Dear Paul: Something is draining the battery with the key off. The current draw is called parasitic drain. The maximum allowed current drain on most vehicles is 50 milliamperes. Some new vehicles have up to 75 milliamperes draw and safety run-down protection.

Other vehicles can have two batteries. To properly check the problem in your vehicle, or any vehicle, the system should be checked with a digital ammeter. I have seen the glove box light stay on and clocks draw too much current. Even alternators that charge properly can cause parasitic drain.

Dear Doctor: I recently purchased a 2004 Chrysler Town & Country minivan. While driving the van about 300 miles, I heard a hum noise at speeds ranging from 10 to 35 mph.

The noise seemed to be in tune with the engine speed. The technician on a road-test said the noise was coming from either the engine or transmission.

He checked the vehicle in the shop and said there were no long-term effects, and the van was covered under warranty. But this situation is an annoyance.

The van I took on the test-drive before the purchase made no noise at all. On another trip to the dealer for a clicking sound, the technician said the noise is a normal sound from the solenoid pack in the transmission. Are new Chrysler minivans supposed to have these noises? These noises are not mentioned in any brochure. — Robert

Dear Robert: Clicking noise associated with the electronic transmission is normal, especially when the driver is

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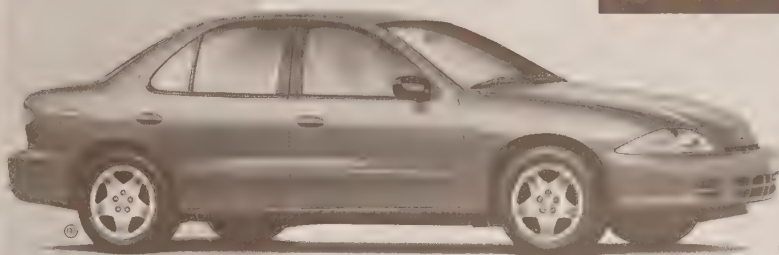
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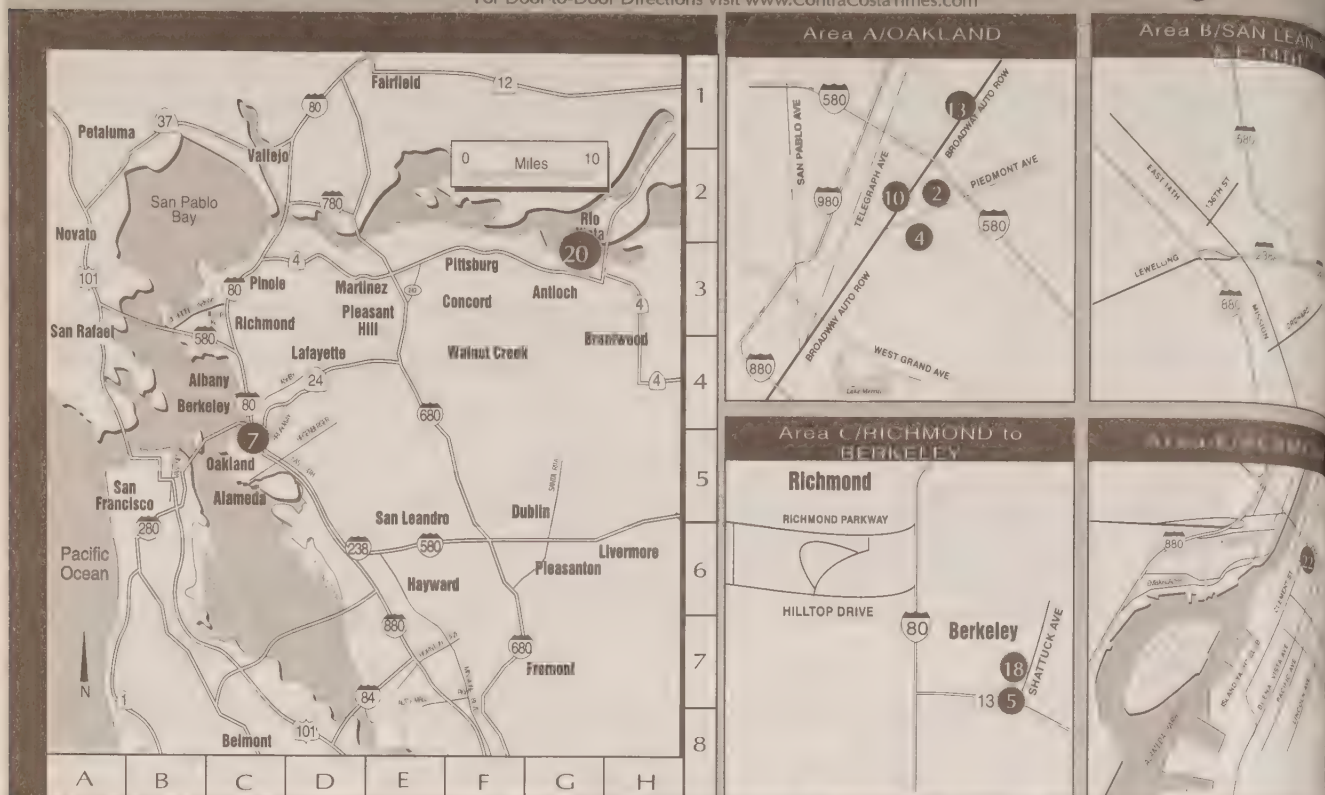


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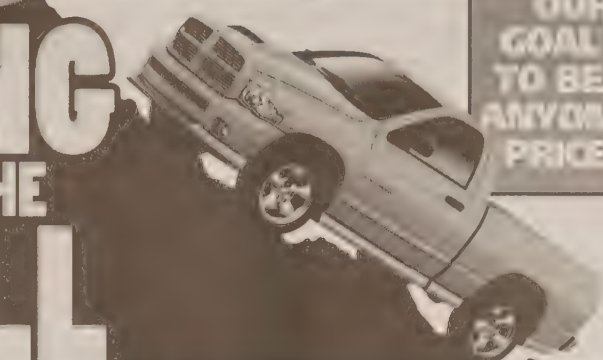
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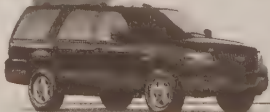
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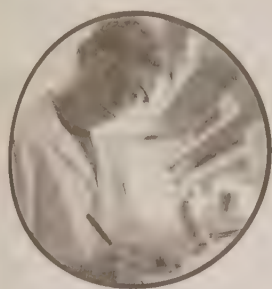
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RESEARCH SCIENTIST

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SCIENTIST II, RESEARCH

Position I or II, commensurate with experience. Participate in and perform the design, development, execution and implementation of research projects pertaining to the bioassays department. Experience with enzyme assay development (esp. kinases), enzymology, and high-throughput screening formats is required. Requires PhD in a relevant scientific discipline or equivalent. Postdoctoral work and 1-5 years of related experience is desired, along with experience with laboratory automation, data management, and a sound knowledge of the drug discovery process. Please apply at www.chiron.com, referencing job 44002451-RK.

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Coordinate activities associated with DR resolution: track status of outstanding DRs; distribute routine status reports; manage meetings; organize cross-functional meetings to facilitate investigations; publish notes and action items; provide support to the investigation process and follow-up to assure timely DR closure. Provide support to other QA functions as needed. Requires BA/BS in the Biological Sciences. At least 4 years related technical experience with significant QA experience. Proven ability to maturely express views and opinions, listen well and accept conflicting points of view. Proven ability as a team player and team leader. Please apply at www.chiron.com, referencing job 44002141-JS.

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Manage the person-in-the-plant function to provide QA oversight to BioPharma manufacturing operations at Chiron, evaluating manufacturing operations and practices to ensure cGMP compliance. Responsibilities include on-site review of batch record documentation to ensure accurate and timely completion of these records and providing input to discrepancy investigations to ensure that the investigations are adequate, complete, and properly documented. Requires BA/BS in the Biological Sciences and 5-8 years of relevant experience in biological manufacturing quality assurance. Knowledge of quality systems which ensure control of drug and biologics manufacturing facilities and processes in accordance with cGMP. Knowledge of biologics and drug manufacturing processes. Thorough knowledge of cGMP for drugs and biologics manufacturing. Please apply at www.chiron.com, referencing job 44000281-JS.

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SPECIALIST I, DEVELOPMENT

Develop oral dosage prototype formulations for new chemical entities, characterize active pharmaceutical ingredient and formulations, evaluate stability of formulation prototypes, prepare batch records, and manufacture clinical supplies under cGMP conditions. Work also includes excipient compatibility studies, developing prototype formulations, characterizing batches, preparing batch record, ordering raw materials, and manufacturing clinical supplies. Requires BS/MS in Pharmaceutical sciences or industry pharmacy with 2-6 years of experience in pharmaceutical setting. Hands-on experiences with HPLC and dissolution testing are preferred. Please apply at www.chiron.com, referencing job 44002102-JS.

RESEARCH SPECIALIST

We are seeking a Research Specialist to join the Translational Medicine group. In this position you will be providing preclinical and clinical biomarker discovery and assay development expertise. Essential technical skills include cell based assays (cell culture of tumor cell lines and primary cells; transfections; isolation and assays using human blood cells), molecular biology (RT-PCR; primer design; DNA and RNA extraction; gel electrophoresis; DNA cloning and transformation) and protein biochemistry (western blot; immunoprecipitation; production of fusion proteins; ELISA). You will support projects that span from research projects to clinical programs. Industry experience and previous work with clinical samples is desired. The candidate should also have a clear understanding of new research methodologies, as well as prior experience in identification and implementation of these technologies to support this research. This position involves extensive interaction with scientists from multiple disciplines, and requires exceptional teamwork skills and the ability to manage multiple projects at once. Computer expertise and excellent written and verbal skills are essential. A Bachelor's or Master's degree in a scientific discipline, and 5-10 years of related experience are required. Please apply at www.chiron.com, referencing job 44002476-RK.

SPECIALIST I, DEVELOPMENT

Conduct the development and validation of analytical methods to support Chiron's biopharmaceutical products development, utilizing multiple HPLC techniques including RP-HPLC, IEX-HPLC, and SEC-HPLC to determine the duties include employing other analytical techniques including peptide map, CE, SDS-PAGE, and UV-Vis spectroscopy to evaluate physicochemical property of products, and fully supporting commercial product and clinical product release testing by providing high quality of analytical methods, assay transfer, and troubleshooting. Requires degree in Chemistry, Biochemistry, or related discipline with emphasis in Analytical Chemistry with 5+ years of relevant experience, and a broad background in chromatography and technical proficiency with HPLC method. Please apply at www.chiron.com, referencing job 44002191-JS.

DEVELOPMENT ENGINEER II

Responsibilities include designing, executing, analyzing, and problem solving using bench-scale experiment models; working with pilot plant and manufacturing staff to troubleshoot larger scale processes; and communicating results in reports or presentations. Also, contribute to the development of cell lines, fermentation processes, and/or recovery processes for microbial/animal cell proteins. Requires Bachelor's degree plus 1-4 years experience in Biological Sciences, Biochemistry, or Biochemical Engineering, or a Master's degree with 0-2 years experience. Candidates should have experience in microbial or animal cell culture processes to include cell line selection, media development, bioreactor operation and/or recovery development. Knowledge of basic laboratory procedures and equipment. Please apply at www.chiron.com, referencing job 44001995-JS.

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SCIENTIST I, RESEARCH

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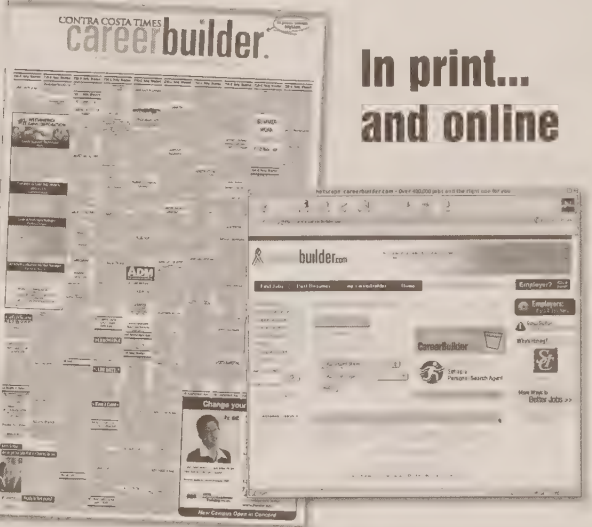
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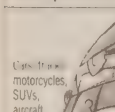
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to know how to save when building a new home or remodeling an older home? Experts have two major tips. First, research the building products that go into your project. Second, listen to building industry professionals. Homeowners who research the pros and cons of a product, the lifespan of the product, the warranty offered by the manufacturer, are steps ahead in making choices for their home. Don Zeman, host of the nationally syndicated home improvement show, Homefront with Zeman, "Consider it your 'job' to get product information so that you can make smart choices. Read home magazines, listen to radio, watch TV programs and go through product literature from manufacturers. Knowledge is powerful. Your research makes the difference between a product based on a marketing advertisement and a product that will give you a return on your investment." According to Zeman, who was a contractor and builder for 25 years, starting his home improvement show, the next thing to consider the advice of your professional. "Builders and remodelers live and breathe building products. They deal with product every day and can give you the insight on what products hold up over time, which ones may

not be suitable for your project and how you can save money by investing in 'alternative' products such as urethane millwork, fiber cement siding and acrylic block windows.

"When selecting your contractor, make sure you pick someone who is up-to-speed on building products and who you trust to give you solid advice regarding the investment you're making in your home."

As Zeman knows, products chosen for new construction and remodeling projects can end up saving substantial job site time, labor and actual product costs. When looking at large building product expenditures for the home, people often think about roofing, siding and windows. These "big ticket" items can eat up a huge chunk of a budget, so it's important for homeowners to get actively involved in the selection of these items.

"We look at windows as a long-term investment in a home and we encourage homeowners to view them the same way," says Vernon McClure, president of Main Street Homes of Richmond, Va. "To us, it makes no sense at all to recommend or install windows that homeowners are going to be unhappy with or need to replace in five years. That's why we take the time to explain energy efficiency benefits to homeowners — including different glass package options — and encourage them to purchase low maintenance vinyl windows. The investment in a top-quality vinyl window means that the homeowner will save on energy, maintenance and re-

placement costs during the lifespan of the home."

McClure, who installs Simon-ton ProFinish windows, takes the time to explain the benefits of fusion-welded corners and seams to his customers.

"Builders and remodelers understand that selecting the least expensive product to put in a home is not the way to build a reputation," says McClure. "We try to share that knowledge with our customers. We've found that by partnering with a quality window manufacturer, we've built up a strong business and a good reputation with our customers."

While windows are definitely a "large ticket item" for homes, many builders and remodelers don't stop there with evaluating products that make good long-term investments for homeowners. Today's building industry professionals are as concerned with the selection of sub-flooring as they are with the choice of trim products.

"Our company's decision to use urethane millwork ultimately saves the homeowner money," says Jim Benoit, CR of Benoit & Czarnecki Design/Construction, LLC in Newtown Square, Pa. "We used to create built-up interior molding profiles exclusively out of wood. That process was extremely time-consuming, but the results were great."

"We've discovered that we can get the same quality look with one-piece urethane moldings from Style Solutions. These larger moldings are lightweight and install easily, so we're also saving our customers on installation time."

"There are still some projects where wood is the preferred application, but when we compare the cost of materials in creating a four- or five-piece wood molding build-up to a one-piece urethane molding product, we find that the urethane product is generally more cost effective. Overall, the product



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Benoit has found out what many building industry professionals already know: "alternative" products, sometimes called "look-a-likes," can save substantially on costs and labor. One remodeler, David Tyson of Charlotte, North Carolina, used to install only glass block windows until he found acrylic block products from Hy-Lite Products. Now, when

ever a client requests glass block windows from Tyson, his immediate response is to introduce them to acrylic block operable and fixed units as a smart alternative.

"The Hy-Lite acrylic block windows come as prefabricated units in frames, making them less bulky and heavy than glass block windows," says Tyson, owner and CEO of David Tyson & Associates. "As a result, we have quicker installation and instant gratification

for our customers."

"We also like the acrylic block products because they're easy to finish the trim around the window inside and out. We firmly believe that using Hy-Lite products has helped build our company's quality reputation while giving our customers rooms they can enjoy without worrying about privacy or light issues."

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Industry experts offer these two tips for saving on costs when building or remodeling an older home: First, research the building products that go into your home. Second, listen to building industry professionals.

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Pans that take the cake

BY DONNA PIERCE
CHICAGO TRIBUNE

We've heard from several readers asking about the best way to prepare cake pans for baking. Their questions include: Does butter work better than vegetable shortening when greasing pans? Is it necessary to dust pans with flour? Should you line the pan with parchment paper?

Although most recipe instructions recommend greasing and flouring baking pans before adding cake batter, a recent test kitchen trial discovered that other methods worked even better.

After baking single layers from identical cake mixes in several different ways, we measured how much each cake rose, then tasted each for flavor differences.

There was no detectable flavor or rise difference between greasing a pan with butter or shortening; in fact, no pan preparation affected flavor.

However, layers achieved the greatest height when the bottom and sides of the pans were greased with shortening or butter and then lined with a wax paper or parchment circle on the bottom. Using wax paper and parchment achieved identical results.

(It's worth noting that many recipes for layer cakes also call for greasing or buttering the parchment or wax paper, because this creates

optimal release of the cakes.) Greased and floured pans without a parchment or wax paper lining produced the lowest rise.

Q Is there a good way to keep a stalk of celery for a long period of time? — E-mail query

A Store celery up to 10 days wrapped securely in aluminum foil, suggests David Joachim in "Brilliant Food Tips and Cooking Tricks."

Should refrigerated celery go limp, trim the base of the stalk and revive, refrigerated, in a glass of ice water.

Q How much dried fruit should I send with my husband and son for a one-day backpacking trip? — Peggy Woloszyk, Elmhurst, Ill.

A Dried fruit is fresh fruit that has been dehydrated; about 75 to 85 percent of the original water content is removed, and can result in a loss of Vitamins A and C, writes Sharon Tyler Herbst in "Food Lover's Companion," but many vitamins and minerals remain.

Drying intensifies the flavor, and also promotes a long shelf life. Tightly wrapped, dried fruit can be stored at room temperature for up to one year.

Peter Flax, articles editor of Backpacker magazine, said that the amount of dried fruit you pack depends on personal taste plus the

mix of edibles you plan for your hike.

"Backpackers need lots of nutrients and calories," he said.

To balance the nutrition profile for your backpackers, consider including protein-rich nuts with the dried fruit.

And practice makes perfect when you're figuring amounts: "You don't want to lug around excess weight," Flax said, adding that it is still better for beginners to bring a little too much than too little.

Answering your question about quantity is difficult, because many factors come into play: How old is your son? How strenuously will they be hiking, and for how many hours at a time? Are they bringing other foods?

Given that 1 serving of dried fruit is typically 1/4 cup, and a little of this energy-packed food goes a long way, a safe bet is to pack about 1 pound, even if they don't need that much.

Flax's personal favorite dried fruit mix?

"I like gorp," he said, explaining that the word is an acronym for "good old raisins and peanuts."

Q I am looking for a recipe that I found in the Chicago Tribune years ago: pot roast cut into small pieces and marinated before grilling as shish kebabs. It was one of my favorite recipes. — Diane Stopka via e-mail

A This recipe appeared in the Tribune on July 20, 1978. Kebabs made with beef chuck are a



THESE SHISH KEBABS star marinated pot roast.

bit chewier than more tender — and expensive — cuts, but this budget-pleasing recipe offers a great flavor for family dinners.

BEEF KEBABS

- 1-1/2 pounds beef chuck, cut into 1-inch cubes
- 1 bottle (12 ounces) beer
- 3 cloves garlic, crushed
- 1 cup barbecue sauce
- 2 tablespoons butter

20 small white onions, blanched 1 medium green bell pepper, cut into 1-inch square pieces

Place beef, beer and garlic in a resealable food storage bag; cover. Refrigerate at least 12 hours, turning occasionally. Drain, reserving 1/3 cup of the marinade.

Combine barbecue sauce, reserved marinade and butter in a medium saucepan over medium heat. Heat to a boil, stirring; cook

1 minute. Serve kebabs with meat sauce.
Heat grill to medium-high. Grill kebabs and vegetables until done, turning frequently.
Cooking time: 12 minutes for meat, 10 minutes for vegetables.
Preparation time: 12 minutes.
Serving size: 4 servings.

Radiant heat and hardwood floors: A dynamic duo

Energy-efficient and comfortable, radiant heat systems and hardwood floors are a natural — and increasingly popular — combination. These helpful tips for selecting floors and systems are courtesy of the American Hardwood Information Center at www.hardwoodinfo.com.

1. What is radiant heat? A series of heating tubes warms the floor in a radiant heat system. The floor then radiates heat to the room. Radiant heat, which is draft-free, can be more comfortable than forced-air heat because it cleanly and silently warms not only the floor but the entire room as well. Radiant heat systems also are typically more energy-efficient than conventional systems, making them more popular than ever.

2. What type of radiant heat system should I install in my home? Ideally, experienced installers of radiant-heat systems and hardwood floors work together to choose the system that best suits your needs. Electric systems use thin electric mats that work much like electric blankets. They often are used to heat small rooms like kitchens, bathrooms and entryways.

Larger rooms often justify the more costly initial expense of installing a hydronic system, which involves heating water that runs through plastic tubes under the floor. Hydronic systems can be powered by gas, oil, electricity or solar energy.

3. Are American hardwood floors compatible with radiant heat systems? Absolutely. Natural hardwoods warm quickly and are cozy for bare feet because

they conduct heat more efficiently than thick, padded carpets. Solid hardwood or engineered wood floors work fine with today's high-tech radiant heat systems — whether on subfloors or concrete slabs. You can add inlays to new or existing wood floors over radiant heat, and you also can paint and stencil the floors.

4. What about tropical woods? The Radiant Panel Association, a trade organization for the radiant heating industry, warns against pioneering the use of a wood with little information on its dimensional stability. If you're importing a tropical or exotic wood, you must pay close attention to the source and age of the wood as well as the method used in drying it.

Quick drying creates stresses that can affect the wood later as it expands and contracts.

5. What types of hardwood floors work best with radiant heat? Extensive laboratory testing by Launstein Hardwood Floors in Mason, Mich., found that American hardwoods — including cherry, oak, ash, maple, hickory and walnut — are good choices for radiant-heat flooring.

For best results, use narrow boards, preferably not wider than 3 inches. Narrow boards will better accommodate wood's expansion and contraction across a floor.

Consider using quarter-sawn wood for planks wider than 3 inches, regardless of species, for enhanced dimensional stability.

The Launstein testing found that quarter-sawn planks up to 7 inches across (when properly installed) can work well with radiant

heat systems.

The testing also found that hardwood flooring that is three-eighths of an inch thick conducts heat better than thicker floors and resists gapping.

6. How will moisture affect the installation of a radiant heat system? Wood naturally expands and contracts to reach balance with the relative humidity of its surroundings. That's why it's important to avoid installing wood flooring when moisture levels typically rise sharply, especially during painting or the installation of sheet rock. When radiant heat is installed in concrete, mortar beds or gypsum cement, operate the heating system until these are completely dry before topping with wood floors. This can take several weeks.

Before hardwood floor installation, operate the heating system until the relative humidity in the space stabilizes to the average level expected for seasonal conditions in the area in which the wood floor will be installed. For example, if the space is expected to average 30 percent relative humidity in the winter and 50 percent in the summer, the average would be 40 percent.

In especially dry regions like the American Southwest, a humidifier may be recommended. Likewise, a dehumidifier may be called for in especially humid climates.

Experienced flooring installers will ensure that the wood floor's moisture content is appropriate for your area. A 6 to 8 percent moisture content is average in most parts of the country. For more information about hardwood floors, visit www.hardwoodinfo.com.

7. How warm should a wood floor get? The maximum surface temperature of a wood floor is 85 F. Make sure your installer chooses a control strategy that assures this limit will not be exceeded, and gradually takes the floor through temperature changes.

8. What about the care and maintenance of American hardwood floors over radiant heat systems? Caring for a hardwood floor with radiant heat is no different from caring for any other hardwood floor. Radiant heat systems also typically have no effect on refinishing guidelines. (It is, however, always best to check with the finish manufacturer.)

9. How much do radiant heating systems cost? Prices vary based on the size of the room and type and quality of equipment, ranging from \$3 to \$10 per square foot plus installation. Robert Starr, president of Radiantec, a radiant-heat system manufacturer in Lyndonville, Vermont, estimates a system large enough to heat a 2,500-square-foot home would run about \$5,000, excluding installation costs.

Candles continue reign as essential decorating

While home renovation continues to be strong in this stagnant economy, people seem to be spending less on home decorating.

A study conducted for the National Candle Association found that the majority of adult women have spent less than \$500 decorating their homes in the last year.

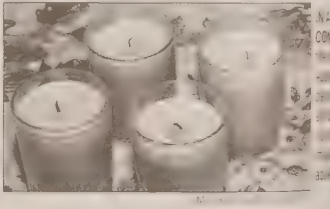
Though many home decorating budgets are tight, the study found that candles remain a steadfast decorating essential, and 74 percent of women still believe that candles are an important home accessory.

During the past year, four out of five women claim to have purchased at least one type of candle, the most popular being the jar candle. Almost half of the respondents purchased this particular type.

One explanation for the continued growth in the candle market is that many people feel candles can

add a magical touch to any room, yet they are a less expensive way to decorate. More and more people are realizing that candles are a low-cost way to spruce up indoor or outdoor spaces. The National Candle Association is a non-profit organization that promotes the candle industry.

Whatever your decorating style, candles are a timeless way to add warmth and coziness to your home. For more information on candles, log on to www.candleinfo.com.



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Renegade gardener says landscaping blunders are common in America's yards

CANDACE RENALLS

MINN. — Too much straight line of trees. Perennials for the color of their blooms.

There are common garden landscaping blunders that many American homes, says Candace Renalls, a Twin Cities gardener, professional writer and garden writer who writes regularly on HGTV. She is the Renegade Gardener, the co-authored seven gardening books.

Renalls, 49, is candid in his opinions and often biting in his comments about what homeowners do in their yards. At the same time, he has made all the blunders at least twice — but he's not from them.

Renalls' list changes with the seasons and as new blunders appear. His latest list:

1. **We use too few containers, structures, art and accessories.** Place containers on the patio, along the driveway, on the steps up to the house and in places in the yard where plants put into the soil won't grow.

2. **We don't test, correct and amend our soil.** If you have trouble getting plants to grow, the problem is probably your soil. Have your soil tested. If plants grow well in your garden, enrich the soil by working in compost in the fall, Engebretson says.

3. **We use too few containers, structures, art and accessories.** Place containers on the patio, along the driveway, on the steps up to the house and in places in the yard where plants put into the soil won't grow.

4. **We get suckered into taking the easy way out.** Part of the gardening industry is convinced that Americans have no desire or ability to learn to garden so they dumb it down, Engebretson says.

"They're trying to make everything simple, low- or no-maintenance," he says. Gardening catalogs often don't use Latin names even though it's the only way to precisely identify

broad leathery leaves and those with fine, lacy leaves.

"When you place shrubs, especially in front of other shrubs, look at the foliage and try to create pleasing, sometimes striking, sometimes subtle contrast in the leaves," Engebretson advises.

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7. **We devote too much space to the lawn.** Until the 1950s, only 20 to 30 percent of yards in urban neighborhoods and small towns were devoted to grass lawns, according to Engebretson.

8. **We cut live branches off our evergreen trees but don't prune dead branches from our deciduous trees.** We want grass to grow under a spruce tree, so we start pruning from the bottom.

9. **We're afraid to cut down a tree or yank out old shrubs.** We've heard about the deforestation of the Amazon rain forest and think it has something to do with trees in our yards.

10. **We think too small and too straight.** We take a divide and conquer mentality to our landscapes. Instead of seeing a landscape as a whole, we see it as little sections. We cut a circle in the middle of the yard and plant flowers in it. We plant perennials by a fence because it's the only sunny spot in our yard. In the fall, we get a good deal on trees so we buy several and plant them in a straight line along the driveway.

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plants. "Plant-by-number" gardens that bloom at the same time "look terrible," he says.

Instead, Engebretson says, plant what you like every year. Learn where each plant does best and looks best.

"Don't take the easy way," he says. "It makes for really boring, dark and landscapes."

5. **We plant the wrong plant in the wrong place.** Before planting trees and shrubs, find out how big and how wide they'll grow. Make sure the mature plants will have enough space.

6. **We don't use enough shrubs and small trees.** Beds around house foundations aren't wide enough, Engebretson says, so we have "a tuft of shrubs that circles the house and looks ridiculous."

"The landscape should make a house nestle, rather than look like a dollhouse on a pool table," he says. "We need to use small trees and shrubs that bring the roof of the house down to ground level with some kind of scale."

Engebretson's rule of thumb is that the width of a foundation bed should be at least one-third the height of the house. In front of windows, choose shrubs and dwarf evergreens that at their mature

height will not block windows, he says.

A wider foundation bed that curves toward the back of the yard allows for depth in planting. Shrubs can be planted in front of other shrubs and perennials in front of shrubs. There may even be room for small trees such as dwarf evergreens, skyrocket junipers and Colorado blue spruce.

Large trees off the corners of the house, rising to and surpassing the roofline, help create that nestled appearance.

"When you design a landscape, the goal is to make it look like the landscape was there before the house, and you can do that even in brand-new home construction," Engebretson says.

7. **We devote too much space to the lawn.** Until the 1950s, only 20 to 30 percent of yards in urban neighborhoods and small towns were devoted to grass lawns, according to Engebretson.

"We had a much higher reliance on trees and shrubs," he says. "The lawn area was usually one-half circle in the front or back. People would use a push mower, water with a hose, throw on a little fertilizer."

With the 1960s came suburbanization and yards became mostly lawn.

Expansive lawns require more chemicals, more water and more time to mow than other landscapes. Incorporate more trees and shrubs, Engebretson advises.

"Your house will look a lot better, the appraisal will come in a lot higher if you get back to 40 to 50

percent lawn," he says.

8. **We cut live branches off our evergreen trees but don't prune dead branches from our deciduous trees.** We want grass to grow under a spruce tree, so we start pruning from the bottom.

Never cut a healthy branch off an evergreen, Engebretson says. It saps vitality from the tree and opens it up to fungal disease and insects.

"A spruce tree is supposed to have a broad base that stretches out and kisses the ground," he says.

Evergreens will lose branches naturally. Prune off any dead branches but also have an arborist check the tree for diseases.

Hire a professional tree trimmer to prune deciduous trees and trim dead branches, Engebretson says. Do a section of yard each year and in a few years the whole yard will be done. You won't have to do it again for 15 years.

9. **We're afraid to cut down a tree or yank out old shrubs.** We've heard about the deforestation of the Amazon rain forest and think it has something to do with trees in our yards.

"They're not the least bit related," Engebretson says.

Cut down a tree that's in a bad spot in your yard. Cut it down if it's diseased, old, storm-damaged, looks bad or keeps you from creating the landscape you want.

"Just give it the ultimate prune," he says. "Cut it down, get rid of it. Plant better trees in better spots."

The same holds true for shrubs, especially those big, old overgrown shrubs in front of living room win-

dows. You don't have to work with them, Engebretson says.

"Rip them out and go to the nursery," he says. "The nursery is full of extraordinary new shrubs."

A classic example is tall, leggy lilacs that were planted decades ago in what was once sun. Now they're completely shaded and don't bloom anymore.

"People ask how they can get lilacs to bloom," he says. "You can't. Rip them out. Plant something that will bloom."

10. **We think too small and too straight.** We take a divide and conquer mentality to our landscapes. Instead of seeing a landscape as a whole, we see it as little sections. We cut a circle in the middle of the yard and plant flowers in it. We plant perennials by a fence because it's the only sunny spot in our yard. In the fall, we get a good deal on trees so we buy several and plant them in a straight line along the driveway.

"They're all examples of thinking too small," Engebretson says.

Start by visualizing an overall landscape design. Where do you need trees? Where do you need tall evergreens to block the wind or block the sight of the neighbor's yard?

The landscape, whether simple or elaborate, should flow from one corner of the property to another and from the front to the back. There are no straight lines in nature, no perfect circles, no 90-degree angles.

"These are human inventions," Engebretson says. "Make the lines of your landscape sweep and curl and bend."

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Where do you begin

There are some 3,200 hearth specialty retail stores across the U.S., many with National Fireplace Institute (NFI) certified installers on staff. These retailers are the source for all the information a homeowner needs on the types and sizes of products available as well as on the all-important local code and regulation data. Unlike many appliances you purchase, hearth products don't lend themselves to do-it-yourself installation, so rely on an HPBA member retailer.

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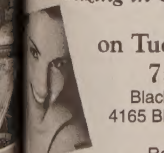
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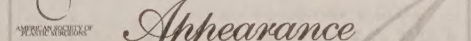
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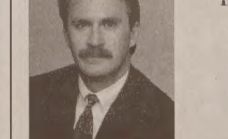
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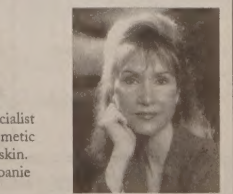
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Dorm living: From drab to stylish

BY KARALEE MILLER
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

The first real test for most college students isn't in the classroom. It's figuring out how to turn those cramped dorm rooms into something they can call home.

Sure, schools throw in a couple of desks and bunk beds, but students are left to their own devices to create a stylish and comfortable haven for sleeping, studying and socializing.

Mona Williams, senior merchandise director for the Container Store, says there are six basic areas to keep in mind when tackling the dorm: bath, desk, closet, laundry, storage, and walls and doors.

"You want things organized but easily accessible," she says. "Items that are multifunctional are key."

When it comes to storage, think vertical.

"You want to maximize your space and build up," says Anne Evans, a spokeswoman for Linens 'n Things. "If you don't have something vertical, you're kind of drowning."

Given all the dual-purpose items to pick from this year, students may find they want to show off their space-savers rather than tuck them away.

"It used to be that storage was meant for hiding and putting away," Evans says. "Now, storage is really out in the open, so it needs to be both stylish and functional."

Collapsible items are high on the list of must-haves, and now it seems most anything can be broken down with ease — tables, hampers and Ottomans, just to name a few.

Adding splashes of color to the room will be no problem, as everything from bath to storage products is beaming in summer's hottest hues, including pink, lime and purple.

"We're seeing more and more color," Williams says. "It allows students to customize their room's look to really suit their personality."

Although it may seem like a lot to study up on, students and parents can rest easy because we've found some great, new items for dorm rooms that will put a whole new spin on the term "tight living quarters."

■ If you want to be down with the hottest pillow right now, snatch up the silky smooth Moshi pillow. The micro beading inside the stretchable spandex covers makes these squishy headrests as fun to

play with as they are to rest on. Linens 'n Things offers both square and neckroll sizes in fun, vibrant colors like pink, yellow and lime green. \$9.99 and \$14.99.

■ For students looking to add some privacy as well as personal touches, the French memo-board floor screen from Linens 'n Things is perfect. Students can display photos, cards and notes between the satin ribbons and create a cozy nook at the same time. \$29.99.

■ We thank whoever came up with the bright idea of turning hohum, standard storage bins into splashy, vinyl organizers. Extra kudos for the touch of metal grommets. Linens 'n Things, \$9.99.

■ To find some extra storage space, look no further than under the bed. With the help of bed risers, \$14.99 from Linens 'n Things, you'll get 6 inches of additional room to work with.

■ A paper lantern is a stylish way to add some ambience and try to forget about that unforgiving fluorescent lighting in dorm rooms. Linens 'n Things offers two-tone paper lanterns, \$9.99, complete with lighting fixture and opaque cord perfect for hanging.

■ Spruce up your desk with colorful Tiki-style bamboo uprights, \$14.99 from Target. Their hourglass shape puts the already fun lamp a curve above the rest.

■ As suggested by one of this summer's hottest anthems, you can "lean back" in comfort in a video rocker, \$29.99, from Target. Whether playing a video game, watching TV or just chilling, simply rock away and enjoy.

■ Dorm room carpet is many things — cool and clean usually are not two of them. Try an area rug like in a fun, striped pattern, \$19.99 from Target, to add some color and attitude to the room.

■ Retailers know not to mess with mesh. It's practical, looks cool and — in hot, summer colors, like this orange waste basket, \$4.99 from Target — there's nothing trashy about it.

■ Get a leg up — or down — with folding furniture pieces, like Target's folding tray table (\$12.99) and folding corduroy Ottoman (\$19.99). They're fun and useful when you need them, easy to tuck away when you don't.

■ Two of the most dreaded words for a college freshman are "community bathroom." No worries, though. The trek to the loo is made easier with a shower tote,

\$9.99 from Bed, Bath & Beyond. It's got compartments for everything from your soap to razors to dental floss.

■ One of this year's re-emerging patterns is tapestry, \$19.99 from Bed, Bath & Beyond. Hang it on a wall, use it as a couch cover or jazz up a window. However it's used, it's sure to add a groovy vibe to the room.

■ Take a seat or rest your feet. Either way, a storage Ottoman, \$29.99 from Bed, Bath & Beyond, is sure to be a hit. Extra bonus — it's got wheels.

■ Although lap desks may seem old school, they can turn out to be a student's best friend. In hot hues, like pink and denim, they're cooler than ever. \$9.99 at Bed, Bath & Beyond.

■ Sign off in style with acrylic wipe-off boards, \$14.99 and \$19.99 from the Container Store. Write with dry-erase markers, which fit nicely in the curve of the acrylic. Choose from two sizes and four colors.

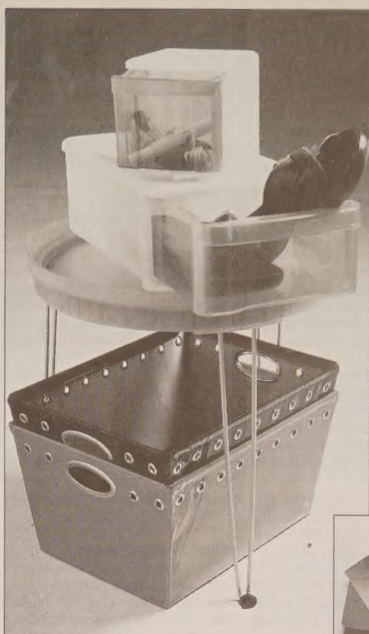
■ Hang on to your CDs by hanging them on the wall. The Container Store offers CD wallpaper, \$7.99, which holds 24 CDs.

■ Storage has never been so stylish. Check out the Container Store's "tint stacking drawers," \$3.99-\$12.99. They're available in four sizes and seven colors, and the mini and extra-small sizes are wall-mountable.

■ There's nothing tacky about mighty magnetic strips, \$12.99 each, from the Container Store. Each strip, available in seven colors, comes with 12 magnets, perfect to post notes and photos.

■ All college students have one thing in common: laundry. The days of lugging hampers and laundry baskets to the basement are gone, thanks to the hamper with wheels, \$19.99, from Linens 'n Things. When you're finished, simply fold it down and stow it away.

■ Keep things cool and organized with "folding mesh cubes," \$3.99 to \$11.99, from The Container Store. Toss clothes, shoes, towels and blankets in these collapsible gems, available in several bold colors and four sizes.



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It's crazy: Older students return to brandish whisks and spoons in kitchen classrooms

BY BILL DALEY
CHICAGO TRIBUNE

CHICAGO — JoAnn Relf is having so much fun in the kitchen at the Washburne Culinary Institute that she has trouble remembering she is in school. "Coming to college it doesn't feel like I'm a student," the 45-year-old resident said. "I'm learning to feel like I'm hanging out with a bunch of friends and having fun."

But at a stove is a dream come true for Relf, who took advantage of a severance offer to leave an unsatisfying 15-year communications career for a year in the culinary field.

"I'm looking back at the time I used to work with and I'm so happy now," Relf said. "I see more people like Relf coming to put a smile on their face, dominating a white toque and holding an outsized whisk in their classrooms."

Career-changers are "hot right now," said Nancy Rotunno, executive director of the Institute of Culinary Education at Robert Morris College's Chicago campus in Aurora, Ill.

At 35 years old, the culinary program is poised to expand to Robert Morris' campuses in Chicago this fall in Orland Park, Ill., by the

end of 2005. Rotunno said the demand is fueled by the popularity of television's Food Network, the interest in celebrity chefs and a growing appetite for food.

Numbers are up, too, at the Cooking and Hospitality Institute of Chicago. Between 2001 and 2003, the number of students ages 25 to 50 jumped 74 percent. Nearly 40 percent of students enrolled for the fall 2003 semester at CHIC were age 25 or older, with 63 students ranging in age from 35 to 49. Enrollment in the culinary program at Triton College in River Grove, Ill., is up 9.8 percent to 2004 from 2003, with the median student age hovering at close to 30. And Kendall College has sold its longtime Evanston, Ill., campus to move into the former Sara Lee Corp. research facility on Chicago's Goose Island because of increased enrollment and the need for more program space.

Career-changers "know what they want," said Kevin Appleton, executive chef of the Robert Morris program, himself a man who switched to cooking after a computer career.

"They are already motivated, have a professional demeanor and a good work ethic," Culinary school officials say that most older students arrive with vi-

sions of owning their own restaurant or catering business. But the reality of long hours, low pay or lack of funding, hot stoves and heavy equipment can take a toll.

If young people find the pace grueling, imagine what it's like to be middle-aged.

"You don't have the physical skills you might have had when you were younger," admitted John Leonard of Evanston, a 50-year-old student at Kendall College's culinary arts program who previously worked around the world as an advertising executive. But Leonard said that age does have its advantages.

"I found my understanding and my knowledge far outstripped my ability to do it fast," he said. "Compared to the home cook I'm blindingly fast, but I will never be as fast as my young colleagues."

Not everyone's a chef

Relf came to Washburne with hopes of becoming a caterer. When she learned what the job actually entailed, she began retooling her hopes and has decided to become a personal chef. To build a customer base, she's planning on throwing a "tasting party" for her neighbors in a 700-unit apartment complex.

"I want to let people know I'm here," Relf said.

A number of mid-life culinary stu-

dents are attempting to merge old skills and new interests and in so doing are teaching cooking schools a lesson.

"One thing our second-career people do is push us to look at food service from a broader perspective," said Christopher Koetke, associate dean of Kendall's school of culinary arts. "Food service is not limited to restaurants. Food service encompasses consulting, research and development, food manufacturers, personal chefs, catering and on and on it goes."

Showing the way is Denise Norton, a 36-year-old alumna of CHIC. She went from being an unsatisfied certified public accountant to owner of Flavour Cooking School in Forest Park, Ill., in just four years, earning herself a place on the institute's Web page as a success story.

Norton knew from her accounting career that she had the skills to be a good teacher. What she needed was more cooking experience. She enrolled at the institute.

"I learned the framework, which is an important thing to know when you want to teach other people," she said.

Others looking outside the conventional restaurant scenario include Mark Furlong and Holly Kopec, two Kendall students.

An IBM employee currently on

a leave of absence, the 53-year-old Furlong wants to feed the elderly. Specifically, he wants to cater to the gourmet tastes of aging Baby Boomers who don't want to give up their high standards even as they move into retirement communities and assisted living complexes.

Kopec, 31, worked eight years for Sprint plugging companies into various types of wireless phones. The Chicago resident now wants to connect children and families to nutritious meals.

Sacrifices to become a chef

Yet the dream of working in a restaurant remains bright for some.

Formerly a marketing assistant with a bank, Jose Lopez of Chicago wants to open a Mexican restaurant offering authentic regional cuisine. Training at Washburne is helping him make the dream a reality, the 36-year-old said, while a part-time job at The Gap helps make ends meet.

Busy developing a business plan for his restaurant venture, Lopez knows from his bank experience to look elsewhere for financial help. Financial institutions won't give him a loan, he said, because he hasn't been in the kitchen long enough.

"I'll have to fund it myself," he

said.

For Frankie Brown, the job search was over before it really began.

The Washburne student, who spent 13 years working her way up the fast-food restaurant ladder before burning out, was just hired to be the kitchen manager at a new pub/restaurant in Kissimmee, Fla.

Brown was one of the institute's students assigned to work as kitchen assistants during the National Restaurant Association show held in Chicago in May. Her work over five days was so impressive that on the final day of the show she was offered a job.

The only catch was moving to Florida. Brown, 40, was willing, and will relocate with the four youngest of her six children this fall.

Career-changers like Brown enjoy their new roles but admit it comes after lots of hard work and some adjustments in income, lifestyle and expectations. Leonard, for example, sold his house and moved the family into a smaller residence. The Kendall student and his wife paid off their debts, sold about one-third of their possessions and slashed their budget by 30 percent.

"Reinvention is painful in a lot of ways but it is liberating at the same time," he said. "It forces you to learn new things."

Feng Shui brings harmony to your home

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If you've heard the term feng shui, you may have any clue what it means. "Feng" means wind and "shui" means water. Together, they make up the Chinese word "feng shui," pronounced "fung shway."

Based on the analysis of the placement of objects in an environment, feng shui is the art of directing the energy flow in your home.

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tionships, work and other aspects of your life. To attain feng shui in your home:

- Positioning is crucial. Do not hang a chandelier above a chair. Don't put a sofa or bed under a beam.
- A home should be level on the ground. A sunken room lets positive energy flow down and get trapped.
- Objects or furniture with sharp edges should not "point" into a seating space.
- Outdoor pathways from the front to the back of your home

should be curved and not in a direct line. Develop curved lines with a birdbath, fountain, small pond or garden bed.

- Entranceways are an important component of feng shui — doorways can't be too large or too small. Counter large doorways by placing a windchime outside the door. Place a mirror on either side of a small door to fix this problem.
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